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MacArthur Silent
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, New Guinea (AP)—No comment was available from Gen. Douglas MacArthur or his staff today on the latest Washington press stories suggesting that MacArthur would accept the Republican Presidential nomination.

Soviets Capture 100 More Places

LONDON (CP)—Soviet shock troops pressing their winter offensive south of Nevel captured more than 100 populated places in fighting today, a Moscow communique announced tonight.

Appeal Fails

VANCOUVER (CP)—B.C. Court of Appeal today confirmed the conviction of Leland Kenneth "Suki" Jones for manslaughter and his sentence of 10 years. Jones, 26, was found guilty of manslaughter at Vancouver following his trial on a charge of murder after John William Wahlburg was fatally stabbed Oct. 31, 1942.

Hit Ship Off Calais

LONDON (CP)—One of the R.C.A.F.'s Sturdy Fairey Albacores, a bomb-carrying biplane-type aircraft now fast disappearing from aerial warfare, today scored a direct hit on an enemy vessel a few miles north of Calais. The pilot was PO. Dale Thomson of Fort Assiniboine, Alta. Six small ships were attacked. A red flash and an explosion followed Thomson's hit.

Shipyard Federation

VANCOUVER (CP)—Canadian Congress of Labor shipyard unions will meet in Vancouver on Jan. 15 and 16 to discuss formation of a British Columbia Shipyard Federation.

Lawsuit On Crash

VANCOUVER (CP)—Mary Catherine Spencer is suing Canadian Pacific Airlines Ltd. and Yukon Southern Air Transport Ltd. for compensation for herself and two sisters in connection with the death of her brother, Hugh James Stewart, killed a year ago when a Canadian Pacific Airlines plane crashed near Chilliwack, B.C.

Drew Delayed

TORONTO (CP)—Acting Premier T. L. Kennedy said this afternoon, following receipt of a cable from Premier Drew in England that the Premier will not return to Canada for Christmas, but is expected some time next week before the New Year. Transportation difficulties caused the delay, Queen's Park sources said.

Brakeman Dies

CALGARY (CP)—As a result of injuries sustained when he fell from an Edmonton-Calgary passenger train last Saturday evening and lay unconscious on the C.N.R. right-of-way for more than 14 hours, Charles V. Bailey, 50, Winnipeg, brakeman, died in a hospital today.

Victoria Ship Denies Shelling

The master of a well-known coastwise vessel rumored to have fired shells which fell near a military installation on the west coast of Vancouver Island today denied his vessel was responsible. No firing was done from the ship at the time mentioned in reports of the incident which caused all R.C.A.F. stations to blackout and a partial alert to be put in force along the coast. The captain declared his gun crew had been in action much earlier in the day, firing a few practice rounds. Naval authorities have said that members of the ship's crew concerned would appear before a naval board investigating the incident.

Japs in Marshalls Hard Hit in Raid

WASHINGTON (AP)—Raiding Japanese positions in the Marshall Islands, U.S. army heavy bombers destroyed at least seven enemy fighter planes in an intercepting flight that attacked them over Malapal atoll. The action was announced in a communique issued by Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, Commander-in-Chief of the Pacific Fleet, and released today in Washington.

Pulp Output Up

WASHINGTON (AP)—First signs of a break in the paper products shortage came today with a U.S. War Production Board announcement Canadian pulp production exceeding expectations, will permit delivery to the U.S. of larger-than-scheduled quantities of newsprint in the first quarter of 1944. The action will have no effect on the first quarter allotments of newsprint to publishers, announced Monday.

Canadians Fight In Ortona Streets

Joint Services Hospital To Be Built At Esquimalt

Construction will be immediately started in Victoria on a large and modern hospital to accommodate patients of the armed forces. Plans of the Federal Hospitals' Commission, whose formula regarding military hospitals has been completely changed, calls for the erection of a joint services hospital of a site in Esquimalt just west of Macaulay overlooking the sea. The hospital will be managed by the navy. Preliminary details of the hospital scheme were outlined at 1 this afternoon by Robert W. Mayhew, M.P., before the Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., and other veterans' organizations at a meeting held at Britannia Branch headquarters, View Street. The new hospital, plans for which have already been prepared, is designed to satisfy the requirements of the three services in one complete hospital block, it was explained by Mr. Mayhew. In addition to the established

Sea Hawks Withdraw From Coast Hockey

Air Vice-Marshal L. F. Stevenson, air officer commanding, Western Air Command, said today in Vancouver that Sea Hawks will withdraw from the Pacific Coast Amateur Hockey League Jan. 5, in keeping with the decision of air force headquarters, Ottawa, that the R.C.A.F. is not to maintain any hockey team in Allen Cup or Memorial Cup competition after that date.

"Owing to the limited ice available on the west coast and the distance of the rinks from R.C.A.F. establishments, it has not been considered advisable or economical to maintain more than one R.C.A.F. team in British Columbia and it is therefore highly improbable that the R.C.A.F. will participate in hockey during the balance of the season or in future, unless the policy is subsequently changed," the statement said.

Army Clerk Sentenced

Vancouver (CP)—Harold E. Smith, 36, former quartermaster-sergeant and supervising clerk in the army administration office here, was sentenced to three years' imprisonment by Magistrate H. S. Wood today on each of seven charges of "dealing in a forgery," sentences to run concurrently.

The charges, which Smith admitted forging, totaled approximately \$2,400, and were issued to army officers.

Delay in Removal Of Ripple Rock

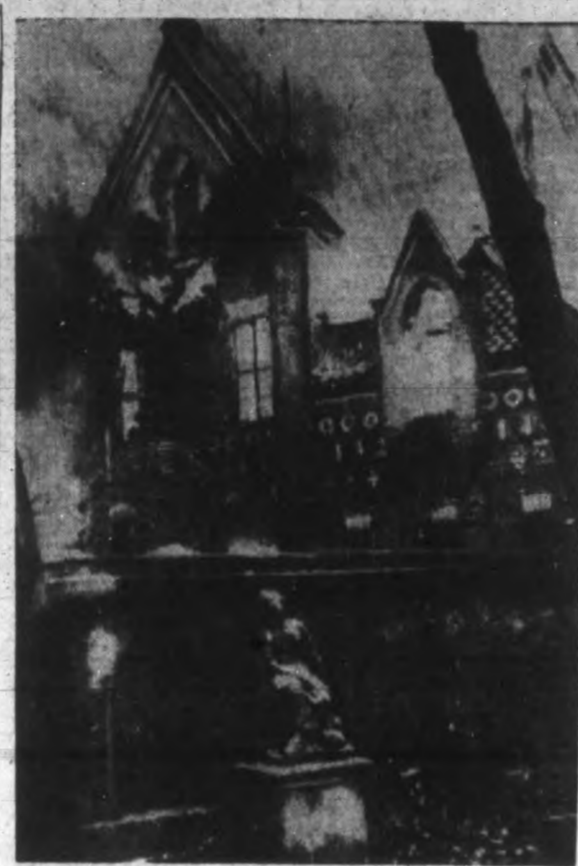
OTTAWA (CP)—Removal of Ripple Rock in Seymour Narrows, between Vancouver Island and the British Columbia mainland, is being delayed while federal government engineers study new methods of anchoring the drill barge over the rock, a Public Works Department spokesman said today.

The current is so strong around the rock that it cut steel anchor cables dropped into the water from the barge being used for the drilling, the spokesman said.

Now engineers are considering the placing of overhead cables to anchor the barge from land on either side of the rock. The cables would close off the 1,300-foot channel on one side of the rock, and reduce the channel on the other side to 800 feet.

OPPOSITION VOICED

This proposal has met opposition from some shipping companies and navy officials. They have said both channels are essential now because of the quantity of shipping along the coast. Because of that, other proposals are being studied, and it is these studies rather than lack of funds which are holding up the work, the departmental spokesman said.



R.A.F.'s VENGEANCE—Another scene from the bomb-ravaged city of Berlin, this photo shows ruins in one section of the German capital after a heavy night raid, according to one caption written by the Swiss agency which supplied the picture. The photo was radioed from Switzerland.

Russian Baltic Army Expanding Breach In Nazis' Northern Line

LONDON (CP)—The Russian Baltic army, steadily expanding its breach in the heavily fortified German line, has plunged down the east side of the Nevel-Vitebsk railway to within 20 miles of Vitebsk. Reuters reported today from Moscow.

This represented an advance of some 15 miles from Gen. Ivan C. Bagramian's forces from their last reported position. His troops stand barely 50 miles from the Polish and Latvian frontiers.

The nearest approach to Vitebsk was the railway station of Gorodok, 20 miles north of the railway from Nevel. Today's German communique said Soviet pressure was increasing in the Vitebsk area and that "Northwest of Nevel, the Soviets launched unsuccessful attacks." In the Dnieper bend area, the Germans said Russian troops had broken through the southeast of Kirovograd, but claimed they had been dispersed or wiped out. Two

Every Canadian Heavy Bomber In Frankfurt Raid

LONDON (AP)—R.A.F. and R.C.A.F. heavy bombers rained more than 2,000 tons of high explosives and incendiaries on Frankfurt in a heavy raid Monday night, it was announced today.

Forty-two planes were lost in the night's operations, which included a subsidiary attack on Mannheim-Ludwigshafen. Ten of the missing planes were Canadian.

R.C.A.F. Coastal Command aircraft also successfully attacked enemy shipping in the Channel and Canadian Mosquitoes shot down two planes during intruder flights over western Europe. Every Lancaster and Halifax squadron of the Canadian bomber group took part in the Frankfurt raid, joining the R.A.F. in a terrific attack on the German industrial hive.

A carpet of exploding bombs and incendiary fires was spread throughout the city when the great four-engined bombers wheeled for home.

Terrific Explosion Bursts Through Clouds

Some Canadian crews told of seeing at least one huge explosion resulting from a hit on what they believed was a large store of chemicals.

A terrific orange and red explosion burst through clouds to the height of 3,000 feet, with the glare lasting 20 seconds, as an R.A.F. Lancaster, piloted by Flt. Sgt. W. M. Munro of Cando, Sask., approached Frankfurt. "A lot of chemicals must have gone up," said Munro. "The explosion lit up the whole place, then black smoke billowed up."

"We had hardly dropped our bombs when a Junkers-88 attacked. Both rear and mid-upper gunners opened fire, and the Nazi sheered off. It was the only fighter we saw, although a great many tracer bullets were crisscrossing the sky."

A night fighter attacked a bomber piloted by Flt. Sgt. Charles Fisher of Watrous, Sask., as he levelled off for his bombing run. A shell struck the plane, but it completed its bombing before evading the fighter.

Continuing the air offensive, a steady stream of medium and light bombers crossed the south-east towards France in daylight today, backing up heavy assaults begun Monday on what may well be German rocket gun emplacements.

More Vancouver Fog

VANCOUVER (CP)—Heavy fog and slippery streets made Vancouver shop clerks and office workers late for work again this morning, and many motorists gazed ruefully on a series of smashed bumpers and battered fenders.

The fog, the first in two days, had streetcars running from five to 10 minutes behind schedule, and marine traffic moved cautiously in and out of the harbor.

Canadian Pacific Airlines grounded all planes for the morning. Trans-Canada Airlines planes were several hours late, and used Abbotsford air field during the day.

Japanese Fleeing On Bougainville Isle

WASHINGTON (AP)—Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox reported today that the Japanese apparently are fleeing from the southern part of Bougainville in an obvious effort to concentrate their forces further north or, that island.

The Secretary told a news conference that it "seems the very obvious thing" for the enemy to attempt to combine all of its forces on Bougainville. None of the enemy's once strong air fields on Bougainville is usable now, he said. They are being kept out of action by constant Allied bombing.

Snow at Edmonton

EDMONTON (CP)—Edmonton and district were blanketed under a three-inch snowfall today bringing to an end one of the finest and longest fall seasons in the area in years.

Prepare to Battle Nazi Tanks to Win Vital Italy Town

By WILLIAM STEWART

WITH CANADIAN TROOPS IN ITALY (CP)—Prepared for a house-to-house fight if necessary, Canadian infantrymen blasted their way into the outskirts of the key Italian Adriatic port of Ortona Monday and by nightfall had brought up anti-tank guns, machine guns, and mortars in preparation for street fighting.

At least one German tank was seen prowling the streets.

With the aid of tanks, the infantry gained its preliminary objectives by mid-afternoon and worked forward until dusk with the Germans firing at them from vantage points in Ortona's sizeable buildings. Enemy shells were directed at the Canadians from the coast north of Ortona. The attack was carried out by western troops who approached Ortona from the southwest of the lateral highway connecting Ortona with Orsogna, 12 miles inland, and from the southeast on the coastal road.

Some of the bitterest fighting of the last two weeks took place on the Ortona-Orsogna highway which the enemy defended fiercely. (Reports heard in London Monday that Orsogna had been taken by the 8th Army remain unconfirmed.)

Advance Under Cover Of Artillery Barrage

The Canadians advanced under cover of a devastating artillery and mortar barrage which threw up a heavy smoke screen as the troops neared the first stone buildings of the town, clustered on a shoulder 200 feet above the sea.

While the western soldiers were striking, a Maritimes battalion was at work in a long gully paralleling the Ortona-Orsogna highway. They were seeking to drive from the highway an enemy machine gun force making its last stand.

Immediate objective of the

troops advancing north of the lateral road was reported to be Tollo, some four miles west and a little south of Ortona.

Reports heard in London Monday that Ortona and Orsogna had been captured by the 8th Army appeared here to have been premature, as the Allied communique made no mention of Orsogna and in regard to Ortona merely said: "Our positions in the Ortona area were improved."

Heights Taken In Snowstorm

On the Anglo-American 5th Army front in western Italy U.S. troops advanced 2½ miles west from recently-taken Lagone through a snowstorm and captured Mount Spinnucio, a 2,600-foot elevation, seven miles northwest of Venafro.

On this section of the front the Allies are fighting under severe conditions. Hills in the area are all covered with snow and many of them loom up 3,000 feet or more. On the remainder of the 5th Army front only patrol activity was reported.

A naval section of the communique announced that British and U.S. light naval craft had teamed up to fight two German destroyers off the island of Elba Dec. 18. Torpedo hits were probably obtained on one enemy destroyer.

Canadian Paratroopers Fighting in Italy?

OTTAWA (CP)—Announcement from Algiers that a specially-trained, mixed Canadian-U.S. unit is in action in Italy with the 5th Army aroused speculation here as to whether these troops might be a force which was set up some months ago and took training at Helena, Mont.

There was no immediate information on this point from defence headquarters. The Helena force was understood to have taken paratroop training.

Shortest Day

Shortest day this year will be Wednesday, Dec. 22. Winter officially comes to the northern hemisphere tomorrow at 10:30 a.m. P.S.T., the shortest time of the winter solstice. Usually Dec. 21 is set down as the shortest day. This year the period of darkness will be longest Wednesday night.

The word solstice literally means sun-standing-still, for the sun appears to rise always to the same height at noon for several days around that time. Ancient peoples, who regarded the sun as a god, must have watched with apprehension the gradual sinking of the noonday sun. Would it begin to climb again as they had been taught, or disappear for ever?

The sun finally appeared to stand still and then reversed its direction. But a few days after the actual solstice were always needed in order for the ancients to be absolutely sure, then there was great rejoicing. This festival occurred each year as just about the time that Christmas is now celebrated.

'Swamped'

"We've been swamped with invitations from Victoria hostesses who want to entertain a serviceman or woman for Christmas dinner," says Ellen Hart, head of the Citizens' War Services Hospitality Committee. "Since the Times took it up, the response to our appeal for 500 hostesses has been wonderful. Everybody wants to help."

"So far I haven't had time to count them, so don't know whether we can use them all. In any case, each Victoria hostess who has phoned will be notified within the next day or so."

Author of Scafa Flow Scuttling Order Dies

LONDON (CP)—The German D.N.B. agency said today that Vice-Admiral Ludwig von Reuter, 75, who ordered the scuttling of the German fleet in Scafa Flow in 1919, died today of heart disease.

Montreal City Hall Picketed By Clerks As 2,000 Strike

MONTREAL (CP)—Montreal's second strike of municipal employees within a week was in progress today. An estimated 2,000 city hall clerks and stenographers failed to report for work this morning and started picketing the city hall.

Inside the city hall buildings, the only persons at work were the regular switchboard operators, who are employed by the Bell Telephone Company and not the city, and elevator men, who come under the public works department and were on strike with other members of that department, together with policemen and firemen, last week.

The switchboard operators and elevator men were passed readily through picket lines, but inside they had little to do. The only local answering calls appeared to be the press room.

The white collar workers voted to strike Monday night, turning down an offer from the provincial government, through the Quebec Municipal Commission, for an arbitration board to investigate their wage demands. It was just a week ago today that employees of the police, fire and public works departments staged a 14-hour strike that won them union recognition for the Canadian Congress of Labor.

Those striking today were members of the National Syndicate of Municipal Workers and two smaller unions who joined forces with the syndicate following recognition by the city of the syndicate as bargaining agent for the white collar workers.

Plane Dives in Sea; U.S. Pilot Missing

U.S. navy plane which dove into the Straits off Victoria Monday with the loss of its pilot was the small aircraft reported missing by the U.S. 15th Naval District while on a routine flight from the Whitty Island naval air station. The pilot bailed out at low altitude and disappeared. Cause of the mishap was undetermined.

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Good Try Fails

FORT LEAVENWORTH, Kas. (AP)—A draftee gave this reason, in writing, for asking deferment: "Convalescing from a traumatic perosynovitis of the flexor digitorum sublimis in profundus muscle at the metacarpophalangeal joint." The United States army said no, a sore finger wasn't a good enough excuse.

Name Commission To Probe Welfare Of Japs In B.C.

OTTAWA (CP)—A Royal Commission comprising three men and a woman has been set up by the government to investigate measures taken for the "maintenance and welfare" of Japanese living in interior British Columbia settlements, Labor Minister Mitchell announced today.

The probe was instituted, he said, after complaints from some Japanese—through the protecting power—that "provisions already made for their welfare are not as generous as they have a right to expect under established international practices."

Chairman of the commission, established under the Inquiries Act, is Dr. F. W. Jackson, deputy minister of health and public welfare for Manitoba. The other

members are Dr. G. F. Davidson of Ottawa, executive secretary of the Canadian Welfare Council; W. R. Bone, administrator of social services for Vancouver, and Mrs. Mary Sutherland of Revelstoke, B.C.

TOO GENEROUS

While some Japanese had entered complaints against their treatment, Mr. Mitchell said, the department of labor has received complaints in British Columbia "that the provisions made are, if anything, too generous."

"It was decided that a careful inquiry was indicated as necessary to establish the facts of the case," the minister said.

Accordingly, the Royal Commission is to investigate "the present provisions made for the maintenance and welfare of persons of the Japanese race resident in settlement in the interior of British Columbia under the administration of the department of labor."

The minister said methods of administration are not an issue—that the inquiry relates solely to

Deny Mackenzie Quitting Cabinet

VANCOUVER (CP)—Prime Minister King in a telegram received by the Vancouver News-Herald described as "without foundation" a rumor that Pension Minister Mackenzie may resign. The wife was in reply to one sent to the Prime Minister by the newspaper.

Mr. Mackenzie in an interview Monday night shortly before leaving by train for Ottawa, said he had no intention of retiring and that if Vancouver Liberals wished him to continue in office he would be a candidate for the next nomination in Vancouver Centre.

the policies adopted for the welfare of the Japanese.

After Japan entered the war it was decided it would be dangerous to leave Japanese in the British Columbia coastal area. The labor department was given the task of removing them eastward.

Insurance Rates In Canada Attacked As Monopolistic, '2 to 3 Times Too High'

HALIFAX (CP)—Charging that Canadians are paying "two to three times" what they should for insurance of all kinds because of "monopolistic controls and economic dictatorship," Lloyd Shaw, national research director of the C.C.F., said in an address here Monday night the only solution lies in nationalization of all insurance companies.

He suggested the government should encourage co-operatives and that credit unions "might w. t handle a large part of the insurance business." If there was still a need for independent insurance, he said, it should be sold directly through chartered banks.

The high cost of insurance he laid to "wasteful competition as regards sales in heavy advertising budgets, a lack of any price competition in the selling program," and the agency system of selling.

He said an investigation conducted in the United States showed that small, mutual banks and companies are selling insurance at one-third or one-half the cost of policies with the large companies.

Outlining what he termed the "economic dictatorship of directors," he said the men controlling Canada's insurance companies also hold directorates in other "monopolistic corporations."

DEPRESSIONS
He said savings entrusted to the companies by the people are invested in these other "monopolistic" industries, are turned into short term government bonds, or else remain idle, "and we have depressions."

"That's what happened in the last depression," he said. "The money wasn't used to provide jobs, houses and goods for the people."

Directors of one company (Canada Life), he said "also hold directorates in 50 other monopolistic companies, in a number of chartered banks and in other insurance companies . . . since 1924 the company made annual profits of 20 to 70 per cent."

Directors of another company (Sun Life) "held directorates in 93 other corporations . . . with the result annual profits of from 15 to 75 per cent have been shown since 1924, with the exception of four depression years."

He said investors are not getting fair returns from the companies.

"In Canada during depression years lapses and surrenders amounted to over 100 per cent of all new business, and at the last estimate surrenders now total about 41 per cent of business," he said.

The companies are "exploiting the agents as well," he continued, charging that a "large percentage" of the agents are earning less than \$1,000 a year.

COLDWELL'S VIEWS

OTTAWA (CP)—M. J. Coldwell, C.C.F. leader, said he believed life insurance rates "are out of proportion to the services rendered; the companies' accumulated profits are immense; and lapses in insurance mean a tremendous loss to the savings of the public." He said the C.C.F. has been "looking into life insurance."

He said that from examination of data already assembled he had come to the conclusion there should be "a thorough inquiry into life insurance."

The party leader said that in the House of Commons he had made mention of what he considered "the vast accumulation of wealth in the hands of life insurance companies."

"I am not opposed to life insurance, since in the present economic structure we must have protection, and that is to be found in life insurance, when the rates are reasonable," he said.

"I don't think the present rates are reasonable."

Mr. Coldwell said he would undertake further study of data now assembled before deciding on the next step to be taken, but said it was probable he would raise the matter in the House of Commons at the new session starting next month.

REPLIES TO SHAW
WINNIPEG (CP)—H. W. Manning, president of the Canadian Life Insurance Officers' Association, in a statement commenting on an address in Halifax by Lloyd Shaw, national research director for the C.C.F., said "a non-official, so-called investigation of the insurance business by one political party can not be regarded as prejudicial."

Mr. Manning's statement said the life insurance business "is under continuous investigation, regulation and supervision by the federal government and the provincial governments—through their several qualified insurance superintendents."

"The announced investigation by one political party whose aims are known to be antagonistic contains an unwarranted implication against the business of life insurance."

"The statement added, 'To announce that an investigation is going to be made, and at the same time to intimate the nature of its findings, gives plain evidence that the findings are preconceived and the so-called investigation farcical as well as political.'"

Dies in California
PASADENA, Calif. (AP)—Edwin Stanton Sikes, 71, senior vice-president of the Aluminum Co. of America until he retired seven years ago, was stricken with a heart attack on a train en route from Vancouver, Wash., two days ago and died Monday following his arrival here.

Sikes, a resident of Washington, Conn., was born in Steubenville, O.

His wife, Mrs. Marguerite Webb Sikes, was with him on the trip from Vancouver, where they had been visiting their son, George J. Sikes. He is survived by another son, Charles Sikes of Annapolis, Md., and a daughter, Mrs. Donald W. Chadwick of Englewood, N.J.

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Roosevelt O.K.'s Canol Oil Project As War Measure

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Roosevelt said today that he approved the United States Army's Canol Oil development in northwest Canada at a time when it appeared there might be great military action in the Alaskan and Aleutian area.

He added that at the time he would have approved anything to get a new source of oil in that part of the world as a war measure.

His comment was made at a press conference in response to a question whether he had known of the \$130,000,000 cost of the project when he approved it. The President said he thought he knew at the time what the cost would be.

Two Democratic members of the Senate's Truman Committee defended the development, which has been the centre of considerable controversy in official circles in Washington.

Senators Tom Connally (Dem.-Texas) and Carl Hatch (Dem.-N.M.) put in plugs for Lt.-Gen. Brehon Somervell, army champion of the oil development, who explained the undertaking for the committee Monday in detail.

Somervell said the project, begun as a defence arm for Alaska, had become a vital offensive weapon and declared if he had it to do over again he would make it three times as large.

Connally and Somervell brought out during a discussion, that the latter does not claim the project is a good postwar, peacetime economic venture any more than would be the making of bombs.

"You were looking at it as a vital war instrumentality?" questioned Connally. Somervell replied "That's right," and made no attempt to defend the expense of the project in his testimony.

Chinese Capture 4 Jap Bases
CHUNGKING (AP)—Chinese forces have smashed forward in the central China rice area, capturing the four main Japanese advanced bases of Lihshien, Tsing-shih, Nanshen and Anshang, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's headquarters announced today.

The victory, a follow-up to the smashing at Changteh of a Japanese offensive against the important Chinese base and communications centre of Changsha, effectively cleared the northern shore of Lake Tungting. It also made the position of the Japanese forces between the lake and the Yangtze River precarious.

The original Japanese offensive against Changteh and Changsha was launched from the four strongpoints, capture of which was announced today.

An official report also told of the recapture of the Yangtze port of Chihkiang, 32 miles south of Ichang.

Churchill Continues To Improve
LONDON (CP)—Prime Minister Churchill, who is recovering from pneumonia somewhere in the Middle East, continues to improve. Today's bulletin issued at 10 Downing Street said: "The condition of the circulation is more satisfactory."

The bulletin was signed by Lord Moran, Mr. Churchill's personal physician, and Brig. Davis E. Bedford.

The extent of the patient's improvement was disclosed in his demand for newspapers, which are flown to him daily from London.

R.C.A.F. Repatriates Home for Christmas
OTTAWA (CP)—Anxious to be home by Christmas, a group of more than 100 R.C.A.F. repatriates arrived in Ottawa today from overseas.

One of the officers, Flt. Lt. John Todd of Saskatoon, was one of the first graduates of the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan to go overseas. He finished his tour of operations as a gunner in July, 1942.

Japanese-Americans To Be Released
SALT LAKE CITY (AP)—Release of loyal Japanese-Americans from war relocation centres will be resumed on a large scale in the spring, Otis Peterson, relocation supervisor for the Inter-

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mountain-Pacific region announces. Peterson explained release is retarded now because of winter and overloaded transportation facilities.

There are now approximately 84,000 persons of Japanese ancestry in nine W.R.A. camps in seven western states and 16,000 at Tule Lake, Calif., compared with a peak of 111,000, Peterson reported.

Killed By Explosion
Sgt. Lee Leighton, R.C.A. son of Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Leighton, Duncan, died in England, Dec. 7, from the effects of a mortar bomb explosion. He was born and educated in Victoria, went overseas in December, 1940, and had recently started an officer's training course.

A brother, Sgt. Robert Leighton, R.C.A.F., was killed on active service in November, 1941.

A younger brother, Charles, is training as a navy cadet at H.M. C.S. Royal Roads.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Nice selection of leather gloves, bags and belts for gifts. McMartin's, 716 Yates. ***

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and where they want to live." "Top price to be paid for farms will be \$6,000, to include houses and chattels. Average price of suburban homes is between \$3,600 and \$4,000. "Average cost of suburban lots," Mr. Murchison explained, "can vary between \$60 and \$400 an acre. Then buildings costs and labor have to be added to that. "Pensioners will be easily able to meet the payments established. The maximum annual payment required is less than \$200 yearly, and many pensioners will be receiving from \$40 to \$100 monthly." Non-farmers, the speaker said, definitely would not be urged to attempt to make their living from farming. "We will simply tell them: 'You do not belong in farming, but rather in commerce or light and heavy industry in our cities, towns and villages. Therefore we will offer you a little suburban plot where you can raise a family in a good home, under easy terms.'"

Labor Office to Meet
LONDON (CP)—The governing body of the International Labor Office, now in session here, announced that a conference of the entire organization will be held in Philadelphia, April 20, 1944.

**B.C. Jap Farms
Acquired in Plan
For 100,000 Vets**

CHICAGO — Plans for purchase of sufficient land to settle 100,000 Canadian veterans on small farms or in suburban homes were disclosed here by Gordon Murchison, director of the government's land settlement administration.

Announcement was made at a meeting of the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers. Later, in an interview, Mr. Murchison stated that some land already has been purchased in Ontario. This is in addition to former Japanese farms acquired in the Fraser Valley area of British Columbia.

"We can't publicize the areas where we want to buy land too freely for obvious reasons," Mr. Murchison said. "But we are buying land freely between Peterboro and Windsor in the Georgian Bay area of Ontario. The only large block so far acquired, however, has been in the Fraser Valley of British Columbia. When it was decided to liquidate the Japanese farm holdings there, I went to the custodian of alien property and bought 780 parcels of land for \$850,000."

Parliament has passed a total of \$6,600,000 in appropriations for land purchases, he stated. Most of the properties purchased in the Fraser Valley were small fruit or poultry farms averaging 13.7 acres.

"Our field appraisers have surveyed many other properties in other parts of the country, and these purchases can be closed quickly," Mr. Murchison added. In addition to land purchases in the Georgian Bay area, a settlement administration office has been opened in Smith's Falls with a view to further land purchases in eastern Ontario.

Mr. Murchison cited several reasons why land purchases were not being pressed.

"We are looking for all kinds of farm and suburban properties," he stated, "with a view to settling those who can make a full-time living out of farming, and those who earn their living at outside employment and need only a small holding."

"However, if we rushed our purchases, the price of the land bought would tend to go up, and concentrated building attempts might result in poor workmanship and shortages of materials."

NO SECOND CHANCE
"This plan must be carried out cautiously," the speaker continued. "Land settlement can't keep up with the rate of demobilization. The veteran has only one chance to set up an establishment. There is no second chance."

"If we are serious in promising that there will be fairly full post-war employment in Canada, to restore our depleted stockpiles and to meet export needs, there will be thousands who should take advantage of good employment, rather than hastening into a settlement scheme until they are sure what they want to do."

Today's WAR NEWS Analysis

By WILLIAM FRYE
Associated Press War Analyst

The great Red Army offensive now rolling southwest of Nevel, whatever its immediate tactical aims, is clearly a major blow aimed eventually at collapsing the German left flank.

It is, moreover, in all likelihood only the first of a series of winter drives by the Russians calculated to speed up considerably the probable intention of the German staff to withdraw by spring to the so-called Riga-Odessa line.

The power of this northern lunge is indicated by German

confession of losses long before the Russians disclosed progress, or even admitted the drive had started. And the Russians probably expect to keep moving, with growing momentum, until the Red Army, reaching the Baltic, has relieved the long siege of Leningrad and isolated Finland from her Nazi ally.

There is in some Washington circles a rather strong belief that the "main" Russian show, presumably timed to coincide with invasion of western Europe, is still to come, and will come in the south, aimed through the Ukraine and toward Rumania. Such an offensive probably will be launched.

But that should not minimize the importance of the push already undertaken in the north. The truth is that the Germans probably used up their last real armored striking force in the counterattacks in the Kiev bulge, and now that those have failed, have lost the initiative to the Russians along the entire front.

That calls for some line-tightening by the Germans. It calls for it particularly because the Nazis are scraping the bottom of the manpower barrel, and cannot replace their lost divisions with equally strong fighting units. Already men past 40 have been thrown into action on the Russian front, a sufficient indication of Germany's manpower straits. The figure of 300 divisions still is used for German army strength, but many of them are no longer first-rate divisions.

All of this points to the likelihood that the Nazi High Command will pull back, partly by plan but obviously as the result of Russian pressure, to a line pegged on Riga in the north and the Dniester River in the south. By shortening their line that much, the Nazis probably would man the Russian front with 30 fewer divisions, and—even more important, than the manpower saving—be freed of the headache of supplying nearly 500,000 men.

That line is not particularly strong naturally, and it is questionable how long the Germans could hold it. But they probably could count on at least a two-months breathing space to consolidate it before the Russians could construct sufficient transportation facilities through Nazi-devastated regions to supply another major offensive.

**Canada's
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R.C.A.F.

MISSING
Chartrand, Laurence Edward, PO, Vancouver, B.C.
Halperin, William Lionel, FL, Toronto.
Masur, Apollon Paul, PO, Toronto.
Wilson, Andrew, FS, Penikese, B.C.
Yard, Bernard John, FS, Vancouver.
Yurchison, William, PO, Pelly, Sask.

PRISONER OF WAR—GERMANY
Chilcote, Ted, Sgt., Kirkland Lake, Ontario.
Gues, Rae Douglas, PO, Montreal, Que.
PRISONER OF WAR—JAPAN
Hanna, Donald Claude, PO, Montreal.

REPORTED SAFE
Spear, Allan Maxwell, WO, Bathurst, N.B.
McLarty, Donald William, FL, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

PRESUMED DEAD
Archer, Jack Collin, Sgt., Toronto, Ont.
Barrett, Martin, FS, Winnipeg, Man.
Brady, Joseph Gordon, FS, Ponoka, Alta.
Bodreau, Jack Cole, PO, Kenora, Ont.
Cheatham, Gerald Harry, FL, Ottawa.
Erickson, Harry, FS, Ontario, Man.
Garbas, Francis Anthony, Sgt., Hamilton, Ontario.
Garoside, Byron Homer, FS, Seal Beach, Calif.
Gardewitz, Abram, WO, Hamilton, Ont.
Olson, Ronald Frank, FS, Kirkland Lake, Ont.
Gibson, John William, Sgt., Hamilton, Ontario.
Gowan, Charles Gerard, Sgt., Toronto.
Gracie, Byron McGie, PO, Rumsay, Alta.
Hodgson, Russell, PO, New Toronto, Ont.
Hollen, William, PO, Seneca, Sask.
James, James Clair Rouse, Sgt., Perth, Ontario.
Johnson, Julius Bjorn, Sgt., Gimli, Man.
La Bri, Reginald Edmund, FS, Brockton, Alta.
McCormick, Lee Henry Alexander, WO, Lethbridge, Ont.
Moffatt, Murray Quinn, PO, Toronto.
Noller, Norman Frederick, FS, Toronto.
O'Halloran, William Edward, Sgt., Antigonish, N.S.
Ottoburn, William George, FS, Dixonsville, Alta.

DEAD
Green, Brock Laverne, FS, Ingersoll, Ontario.
Farrless, Armand Alphonse, PO, Windsor, Man.
Rakocay, Paul Leopold, FS, Detroit, Mich.
Searrow, William Albert, FS, Toronto.
Siedman, Robert, Sgt., Calgary, Alta.
Stiller, Norman Albert, Sgt., Lamont, Alta.
Toombs, Harry Wallace, Sgt., Calgary, Alta.
Veira, Basil Vernon Lancelot, PO, Montreal, Que.
Walker, John Harvey William, FS, Moncton, N.B.
Watters, William John, FS, London, Ont.
Weaver, Sylvan Elwood, Sgt., Castor, Alta.
Westman, Robert Morris, FS, Pinkham, Sask.
Wilk, Floyd Alvin, PO, Scotch Village, N.S.
Wood, Keith Robertson, FS, Stony Mountain, Man.
Wood, Leslie Arthur, PO, Bananera, Guatemala.

DANGEROUSLY ILL
Robinson, Frederick Earle, WO, Toronto.

KILLED
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Matthews, Grant Carmichael, LAC, Pembroke, Ont.
Steele, Cecil Julien, PO, Toronto, Ont.
Thornston, John Lawton, PO, Toronto.

To Increase Dairy Output
OTTAWA (CP)—National Selective Service officials have disclosed a survey is to be made of manpower needs on Canadian dairy farms in an effort to increase production of dairy products.

**Clothing Makers
Win Through**

OTTAWA (CP)—Government authorities said the clothing industry is "over the top" in its gigantic task of providing clothing for Canada's fighting men—and assisting other United Nations as well—but they said they cannot promise the civilian population will notice much change in the supply situation.

One result of the lessened military demands for clothing had been easing of the order forbidding two-pant men's suits.

There might be other benefits later, but they would not be as widespread as some purchasers might hope.

**Yanks Capture
Arawe Air Strip;
Sever Coast Road**

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS. NEW GUINEA (AP)—The United States 6th Army, expanding six miles from its bridgehead at Cape Merkus, New Britain, took the Arawe air strip, adding another landing field to the perches from which Allied birds are purging the air of Japanese.

An Allied headquarters' communiqué today said the Arawe field was secured Sunday.

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VANCOUVER (CP)—Dr. Joseph Edward Oliver, 61, well-known British Columbia physician, died in hospital here Monday. Born in St. Agapit, Que., he had lived in B.C. for 13 years, practicing at Creston and in the Crow's Nest Pass district.



HIS PLANS FOR "V" DAY

Every Canadian in the Front Line is Doing Some Personal Post War Planning. Uppermost in his mind and heart is Victory—and the homecoming. After that his plans are for a job and a future for himself and his family.

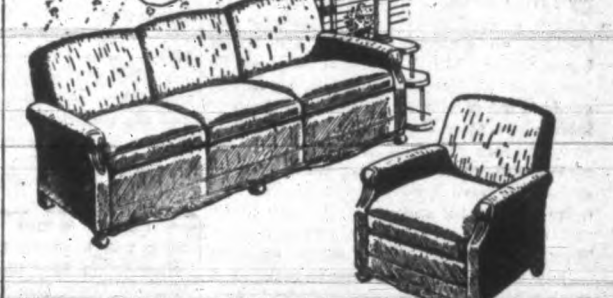
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Franco And Spain

ADVICES FROM MADRID YESTERDAY suggested to the world at large that General Francisco Franco had released all Republicans and some other categories of political prisoners "in a Christmas gesture in favor of national unity." With less ostentation, but with more significant implications, the dictator and candid Secretary-General Arrese of Spain's single political party likewise announced that henceforward there would be no need for the existence of the Falange militia—variously estimated at between 20,000 and 30,000 "assault guardsmen" solely responsible to the Fascist generalissimo. This may mean the organization's complete elimination or its integration in the army, whose duty it will be henceforward to maintain order. And intended to signify the introduction of "a certain elasticity" into the Spanish regime, Secretary-General Arrese indicates that the press will be permitted "a certain amount of constructive criticism," since the Falange "does not aspire to a dictatorship, but to a system of government on the rights of man"—an ironical touch.

Married to this sudden change of heart on the part of Franco and his more realistic political Secretary-General is the well-known fact that a spirit of revolt is rampant throughout the country. The dictator's belated admission that ultimate defeat is staring his Axis friends in the face also throws into relief the by no means new demand from the officer class and wealthy aristocracy for the restoration of the monarchy—a departure said to be welcomed by a considerable section of the people who are not blind to the anomalous situation with which the war's development is now confronting them. Don Juan, Count of Barcelona, third son of Spain's late ex-King Alfonso XIII, is reputed to be waiting confidently and calmly to be called to the throne; he is convinced that he would be welcomed by the landed gentry, while one report has it that he has begun to send snorting letters from his Swiss villa to El Caudillo, suggesting that he go while he can still do so peacefully. But in view of the fairly obvious fact that no government in Spain has a chance of surviving the war without the approval of the United Nations, the pretender's case would seem to depend, to some extent, at any rate, on the attitude of London and Washington.

Regardless of what yesterday's news from Madrid portends, however, there would be no room in Spain for a dictator as well as a king. And by divesting himself of his Falange militia, by releasing from prison large numbers of Spanish subjects who are never likely to forgive him—since the wounds of the civil war are badly infected—either the Caudillo would seem to be trying to put himself right with the United Nations or taking the hint which Don Juan has dropped.

Going After Business

INDUSTRIALISTS IN THIS AND OTHER parts of the English-speaking world are beginning to wonder how they are going to adapt the machinery of war to the requirements of peace—what new markets can be opened up to absorb the products of an unparalleled capacity of output. Heavy industry in the United States seems to have arranged a good start for the postwar era through an arrangement with the Soviet Union under which Russia will purchase no less than \$10,000,000,000 worth of capital goods in the neighboring republic in the first three years after the curtain has been rung down on this global conflict.

We are told that progressive-thinking emissaries have been busy in Moscow for some months "sounding out Premier Stalin and other top Russians" on such a pact. They evidently found the Russians as eager to buy as the Americans are to sell. It is further hinted that Mr. Roosevelt had specific details in his pocket when he met Marshal Stalin in Tehran. Here is one American comment on the reported deal:

Russia's plan is breathtakingly simple. She wants to rebuild her bombed-out, scorched-out industries, and lift her entire economy to well-oiled mechanical efficiency—in three years. In effect, she wants to do the same job that took 25 prewar years to accomplish. The bill for this, from Russia to the U.S., will be roughly \$10 billion, to be spent here for machine tools, agricultural equipment, power plants, oil refineries, etc., in the very industries whose postwar outlook is blackest.

In payment, Russia will forfeit cash and some finished products, and make up the balance by shipping vast stores of raw materials that the U.S. badly needs. Thus the U.S., which will scrape the bottom of its manganese and tungsten deposits in three years, will be able to stockpile these from Russia, along with high-grade molybdenum, chrome, mercury, zinc. With an anxious eye on its petroleum supply, the U.S. may even import oceans of oil, store it away underground for future emergencies. (Certain geologic formations will hold it as safely as tanks.)

To a suggestion in some quarters that private enterprise may be worrying over the prospect of government-doled-out contracts, the United States Foreign Economic Administration explains that the tentative plan is to let American business "carry the ball" alone, let Russia place her contracts where she desires and arrange her own credits. Only when the purchasers run short of credit

would the government at Washington step in and advance funds to be paid off in raw materials.

The fact that U.S.S.R. imports from the United States totaled only \$146,000,000 in the last three prewar years, and have never been higher than \$115,000,000 in any one year, lends special emphasis to a deal which provides for a business of \$10,000,000,000 in 36 months. Question: Are Canadian industrialists fully alive to the potentialities of postwar trade with our great Russian ally? If they are depending upon the seclusion and protection of high-tariff walls they will assuredly be left in the lurch.

Frankfurt Again

AS THEY SORT THEMSELVES OUT from the wreckage caused by the latest attack from the R.A.F. and R.C.A.F. "heavies" at least some of the people of Frankfurt-on-the-Main may recall that their ancient and historic city—in which Johann Wolfgang von Goethe first saw the light of day—was the scene of the first international airship exhibition. That was back in the summer of 1909, and when the event was at the height of its interest and popularity Count Zeppelin himself, one-hot 'August afternoon, descended from the gondola of one of his earlier ships and smiled on the populace and visitors from far and near. What that pioneer of the great German dirigible would think of the once proud city which had feted him if he could come back to earth and have a look at it today is something which intrigues the imagination. We are told, for instance, that Frankfurt is beginning to take on the same appearance as Hamburg and other once key coasts in the Fuehrer's gigantic war machine.

It is interesting to note that, like the once vast and thriving port on the Elbe, the smaller but also important city on the Main preserved longer than others some semblance of democratic thought. Hamburg took a long time to get used to Hitler and his battle against the world; the city had depended for its progress and prosperity on uninterrupted universal commercial interchange. And only three months ago did the Nazi oligarchy finally put an end to the Frankfurt Zeitung's criticisms of its tyranny—by closing it down completely. Together with the nearby twin communities of Mannheim-Ludwigshafen, however, the vital war industries hereabout make good targets for the Anglo-Canadian bombers.

Government And Business

DURING THE DAYS WHEN OUR national war machine was being organized, Ottawa experienced an influx of men whose names topped the list of the leaders in the nation's various industries. These men were called on to serve their country, giving of their executive ability to develop our war production and administration. Now, the purposes of their enlistments accomplished, they are going home to re-enter their own businesses and prepare for peacetime operation.

Mr. H. R. McMillan is leaving the Merchant Shipping Board to return to his lumber and fish-packing companies in this province. Mr. E. P. Taylor, Brewing Corporation head, resigns as Canada's deputy member of the Joint Wartime Production and Resources Board in Washington. Mr. Henry Borden, head of the vital co-ordination board of the Munitions and Supply Department, is returning to his law practice. Mr. C. R. Demara is retiring as rentals administrator, to resume direction of his real estate business in Toronto. Similarly, field men of motor car and other manufacturing companies who have been in Ottawa on national service, are returning in considerable numbers to their businesses, preparing for the days when plants will resume civilian production.

However, Ottawa is not to be denuded for long of big business names. Current departures will be counterbalanced in the near future through the drafting of industrial and professional leaders into the difficult jobs of postwar reconstruction and readjustment. One of the first of these is Mr. J. S. Duncan, president of Massey-Harris, who has been appointed as chairman of the new agricultural and food machinery committee of Britain, Canada and the United States. While this is partly a war job, the committee he heads will be concerned mostly with the early years of peace.

The mass influx of business men into government service for war and postwar will have an important and healthy influence on government-business relations. Most of these business men, for the first time, have seen the workings of federal affairs from the inside. They now understand many of the problems of government with which they were formerly unfamiliar. Some in speeches have already reflected this influence. It will undoubtedly temper their viewpoints and increase their understanding of methods and measures, which under other conditions they might oppose.

Coast-to-Coast In 12 Hours

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO THE FIRST American coast-to-coast air service required approximately 48 hours, involving two nights on trains and two days on planes lumbering along at around 100 miles an hour with no noteworthy comfort. Now six air lines predict that, immediately after the war, huge four-motored planes will carry 50 passengers each from ocean to ocean in 12 hours. Nor are they guessing. The planes already are in use—the Douglas DC-4, of which a few were building for Pan-American and other lines when the war stopped civilian deliveries. They are ready, they are in use; they have demonstrated their capacity. After the war it will be more fun to fly than ever before. All this applies, of course, to both Canada and the United States.

Loose Ends

AID FOR RUSSIA

EDWARD C. CARTER, founder and president of Russian War Relief, has just returned from three weeks in Moscow and Leningrad.

A jovial, white-haired man in his mid-sixties, Mr. Carter is quite well known in Victoria, where he has visited several times on his trips to the Orient and as a member of the Council of Pacific Affairs. He told the New Yorker the other day that things are booming in the Russian War Relief, Inc. His outfit is sending about \$1,000,000 worth of supplies to Russia every month, and more than 99 44-100ths of it gets there. To date, the Russians have received from the organization over \$15,000,000 worth of medical supplies, food concentrates, and so on, including 10,000,000 garments and 3,500,000 pounds of seed, which is enough, theoretically, to grow 3,000,000 tons of food.

While Mr. Carter was inspecting one of the warehouses in Moscow, five guerrilla fighters arrived from back of the German lines, looking for shoes for their bunch. They took away 250 pairs of New American boots, which gave Mr. Carter a solid sense of accomplishment.

SECURITY BREEDS FRIENDLINESS

MR. CARTER says there is definitely a new spirit abroad in Russia since the great German retreat started.

"For the first time since the Revolution," he says, "they have begun to feel that their frontiers are secure. They've taken the measure of the Germans, and they're sure that they are a strong country now."

With this sense of security, he thinks, comes a feeling of confidence and friendliness toward the capitalist nations. The English get a bit more of this than Americans do, he has observed, probably because of the number of good-will trips made to Russia by trades union leaders and members of the government. It would help matters, Mr. Carter says, if more of the visiting Americans learned Russian. He was horrified when he was told by an American journalist in Moscow that the Russians were O.K., except that so few of them spoke English. Then, of course, the Russians are puzzled by the cracks taken at them by U.S. Senators and Congressmen. "But anyway, when it comes to science, architecture, movies, and industry, we're tops with them," Mr. Carter said.

THOSE KREMLIN BANQUETS

THOSE FAMOUS banquets in the Kremlin, such as the one at which Willkie and Stalin made gay together, disturb Mr. Carter a little; some people have muttered that the Russians must have plenty if they can throw parties of such lavishness. Mr. Carter says we've just got to recognize that that's the way the Russians do things; they feel obliged to break into their last remaining stores of food and drink to do a self-respecting job as hosts to a distinguished foreigner. A typical Kremlin banquet includes hors d'oeuvre (everything the Swedes and French and Russians ever thought of), onion soup or borscht, meat, game, dessert and savory, along with vodka and the proper wines, including Soviet champagne, described by Mr. Carter as being powerful. After struggling through all this, the guests adjourn to another room, where, on little tables, they find fruit, bonbons, cognac and coffee. The formal dinners usually start at seven, and three in the morning is the earliest hour at which it's considered polite to take your leave; if you hang around until four or five, the Russians like it better, since this proves you've been having a good time. You have to remember not to say thank you or do more than hint in a vague way that it's been a nice evening; that would be a breach of manners.

Mr. Carter attended a couple of the victory celebrations in the Red Square. In one instance, the capture of an important city was announced over the radio at 10.30 in the evening and the public was invited by radio to the Red Square for a celebration at 11.30. The Russians showed up in overcoats and mufflers, picking their way through the blackout with flashlights, stood and watched while guns and fireworks were set off, and then turned around and started home. Mr. Carter got the impression that while there was a certain spontaneity among the people, a lot of them were just being good fellows and would as soon have been home in bed, getting their rest for the next day's work.

RUDE JOIT FOR POLLYANNAS

From St. Louis Post-Dispatch

The wishful thinkers who talked about "peace in a month or two" or "peace by Christmas," so far as the European front is concerned, got a rude jolt from the state ments published in a roundup of opinion by six war correspondents. These writers of the Post-Dispatch-Chicago Daily News foreign staff, have seen the war at first-hand, and this is the gist of their predictions on when it will end:

Richard Mowrer, Cairo—In the early part of next summer.

David M. Nichol, Moscow—At the earliest, late in 1944.

Helen Kirpatrick, London—Not before the spring of 1944.

Paul Ghali, Bern—The autumn of 1944 (if the prophet throws all discretion to the winds).

B. J. McQuaid, Honolulu—Three to six years longer in the Pacific; two more years if Russia comes in.

A. T. Steele, New Delhi—Defeat of Germany in the summer or autumn of 1944; of Japan, with luck on our part, some time in 1946.

These news writers join with the war leaders in opposing the too-prevalent view that because of our recent victories, defeat of the Axis is just around the corner.

At Christmas time the present is something one pays for in the future.

A Dead Duck



Gardens In December

By E. L. F.

ROOT CROPS, stored for the winter, must be watched carefully. Commonest form of carrot trouble is leaf growth that if allowed to continue, will take all the goodness out of the carrots. These leaves should be cut off. There is also a jelly-like decay that started at the bottom of the roots and soon spread to attack other roots. Cut off the decaying part and burn it, then use the sound part of the carrot as quickly as possible.

Turn turnips over once in a while and scrape off the mat of fibres that form on the outside of these roots. If allowed to grow, such fibres will soon make turnips spongy and bitter. Beets sometimes shrivel and lose condition. Spread them out and give them a good sprinkling with water and they will plump up and regain their best table qualities. Vegetable marrows, stored for winter use, keep much longer if the footstalk end is sealed to prevent sap oozing out of the marrow. Hold the end of the footstalk in a candle flame for 10 seconds or so. This will close the sap cells. You can also cover the footstalk end with melted candle drippings or paraffin and achieve much the same result.

EATING TURNIP TOPS

Do you like tender, green turnip tops? Would you like to try and raise a few of them in a quite unorthodox way? Ask your wife—or your mother, your sister or your aunt—when she is preparing turnips for dinner, to slice an inch from the top of each one and give it to you. Put these tops in a box of sifted leaf mould or rich, fine soil, bedding them well in about three inches apart—but not covering them up. Stand the box in a warm, dark place, under a shelf in the basement or in a cupboard. Keep the earth moist and you'll get a crop of tender green turnip shoots that will make a very tasty dish.

Here's another experiment to

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Prizes for costumes will be awarded to the most original, the best national and the prettiest. Mrs. C. E. Wilson and Maj. L. W. Bullock-Webster will be the judges.

All sorts of games have been arranged for the pleasure of the young guests, and there will also be dancing, and Wynne Shaw will be in charge of the program.

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Girl Guide Notes

West District—First West Brownie Pack visited the Aged Women's Home and sang Christmas carols, to the delight of the old ladies, who look forward to this event. The Brownies, who had been saving chocolate bars, distributed them to the ladies, Sister Mackenzie making a special visit to Mrs. Pierce, a wonderful old lady of 100 years. After leaving the home, the Brownies lined up outside St. Joseph's annex and sang more carols, their voices reaching the patients through the open windows.

First West Victoria. The company's Saturday meeting at the James Bay United Church Hall opened with inspection by the captain. Rehearsal was held for the concert Tuesday. Joyce Fenwick was appointed press liaison officer. Mothers will be guests at the party Tuesday at 7.30. The company will pack a hamper Friday afternoon when each guide is requested to bring her hamper gift.

Engagements

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Ryles, 2215 Fernwood Road, announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Iris Mabel, to Pte. Ernest A. (Gay) Stevens, R.C.A.S.C., son of Mrs. A. Stevens, 2721 Quadra Street. The wedding is to take place Jan. 8, at St. John's Church.

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Personal Notes

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Campbell of Prince George are en route to Victoria for a two-weeks' visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Matheson and son from Edmonton, Sask., are staying at Lakeholm, Langford Lake.

Miss L. Crowther of Toronto has taken an apartment at the Marine Chateau, Oak Bay, for the winter months.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Smith, Moose Jaw, Sask., are spending the winter months in Victoria, to be near their daughter, Mildred, of the R.C.A.F. (W.D.).

Dr. and Mrs. Colin Graham and daughter Joan from Vancouver will spend Christmas at "Queen's Wood," Rockland Avenue.

Miss Elspeth Ker, a pupil of York House School, Vancouver, has arrived to spend the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. B. Ker, Shasta Place.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Norman Bell of Toronto are visiting in Victoria until the New Year, when they will leave for several months in California.

Lieut. George F. Gregory, R.C.N.V.R., and Mrs. Gregory of Halifax, N.S., and the former's brother, Pte. L. Francis B. Gregory of London, Ont., are arriving from the east this week to spend Christmas leave with their mother, Mrs. F. B. Gregory, Craigdarroch.

Miss Emily Elworthy will leave Victoria Thursday to spend Christmas in Vancouver. She will stay at the Vancouver Hotel and return to her home Jan. 3.

Mrs. A. G. MacBride and Mrs. R. J. Plowman were joint hostesses at the former's home, 2547 Musgrave Street, with a surprise shower in honor of their sister, Miss Iris Ryles, a bride-elect of the early New Year. Those present were: Mesdames G. Ryles, A. Stevens, G. Paine, T. McKay, A. Graham, A. Hampton, E. Hampton, D. Fanthorpe, R. Fanthorpe, A. Swan, C. Hulke, J. Caddell, C. Keown, J. Cunningham, G. W. Tanner, S. McNaughton, G. Davies, and the Misses M. Graham, J. Rodgers, J. Trotter and V. Curtis.

Maj. H. G. L. Strange and Mrs. Strange, the latter well-known in the literary world as Kathleen Strange, are marking a wedding anniversary today. In honor of the event, they will hold a reception in their Winnipeg home Dec. 27, when 100 guests will attend. On this occasion, their daughter, Wren Mary Strange, who has been training in Ottawa, will be with them as well as their son, Mr. Donald Strange, who will be home from Upper Canada College, Toronto. Following her Christmas leave Miss Strange will leave for Esquimalt, where she will be stationed.

Among the guests at the Navy League luncheon given at the Empress Hotel by Clarence Wallace, Vancouver shipbuilder and vice-president of the Dominion Navy League, were: R. W. Mayhew, M.P.; Capt. Massy Gooden, R.C.N.; Mrs. Gooden, C. E. Disher, Vancouver; Major Harold Brown, Capt. R. W. McMurray, Norman Yarrow, J. W. Spencer, A. J. Watson, Mrs. L. A. Genge, Mrs. A. H. Phillips, Mrs. Gordon Bowes, Mrs. Ronald Young, Mrs. R. Shanks, A. T. Goward, Lyle Dunlop, C. A. Clements, R. H. B. Ker, H. S. Hamill, N. McConnell, Fred M. McGregor, D. O. Cameron, Walter Walker, R. Wilson, T. J. Goodlake, G. B. Murdie, Magistrate Henry Hall, H. V. Chestnut, Kenneth Drury, Colin Martin, Harold Francis and L. W. Slade.

At Navy League Luncheon



Mrs. Massy Gooden, wife of Capt. Massy Gooden, R.C.N., who represented the navy, and Mrs. A. H. Phillips of the L.O.D.E. were among guests at the Navy League luncheon at the Empress Hotel marking opening of the drive for new members.



Mrs. R. Shanks of the Navy League chats with Mrs. Ronald Young, secretary of league's campaign for new members.

B.C. President Of Rebekah Lodge Pays Official Visit

Over \$25,000 has been raised for the War Effort Fund of the Rebekah Assembly of B.C., and two thirds of the lodges in this province have purchased Victory Bonds, Mrs. C. Tewinon, president of the B.C. Order, stated in an address during her official visit upon the 56th anniversary of Colfax Lodge. She also spoke of the work being done at Tranquille by the visiting committee of Kamloops.

Mrs. N. Gerrard introduced the president and suite: Mrs. H. Graham, district deputy president; Mrs. R. Davidson, assembly treasurer; A. McCabe, P.G.M. grand representative; A. Webb, grand patriarch; Mesdames E. G. Elliott, B. Taylor, M. Somerville, past presidents of B.C.; Mrs. E. Doane, past vice-president; B. Shaver, past grand patriarch; Anton Henderson, past grand master.

Mrs. A. Passmore presided and welcomed the visitors and a large delegation from Carne Rebekah Lodge who were introduced by Miss F. Cosman.

Mrs. E. G. Elliott stressed the growing need for more prisoners-of-war food parcels and urged the lodge to augment their donations to this fund. Anton Henderson, the oldest living past grand master of the Odd Fellows in B.C., congratulated Colfax Lodge on its 56th birthday stating that within a few hours he would be celebrating his own 90th birthday.

An anniversary ceremony was presented during the evening with special mention of the three charter members, Mrs. Dempster, Mrs. Grant and Miss Huxtable.

Christmas parcel committee reported 104 parcels for members of the order and near relatives serving in the forces.

Miss J. Batchelor having the longest membership of any person present cut the birthday cake. Prior to the meeting 108 members attended the banquet held at Terry's in honor of the president.

Next meeting will be Dec. 28 when a Christmas gift exchange party will be held.

A.Y.P.A. News

Local Council. Dean Elliott will deliver Lenten lectures each Sunday afternoon during Lent in the Memorial Hall from 4 to 5. It was announced at the last meeting, Stan Clarke presiding, Miss Frances Paterson, treasurer, reminded branches of the annual per capita and affiliation fees due at the January meeting of the Council. Norman Williams, provincial monthly convener, reported 282 subscribers for B.C., and urged new members to subscribe in order to reach the 300 mark. Miss Phyllis Mills of St. Barnabas, Miss Cora Manton of St. John's, and Harry Prior of St. Alban's, comprise the committee assisting the Cathedral commit-

Weddings

CORMAN-McMILLAN

Victoria West United Church was the scene of the marriage early in December of Flora Stewart, daughter of Mr. A. G. McMILLAN, Victoria, and Coder Fred Laurie Corman, R.C.N.V.R., son of Mayor and Mrs. J. W. Corman, of Moose Jaw, Sask., Rev. J. C. Jackson officiating.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an ice blue crepe frock with rose accessories. She carried a shower bouquet of pink rosebuds and white carnations. Her only attendant, Miss Dorothy Morris, wore a two-piece rose dress with powder blue accessories and carried a bouquet of pink carnations and snapdragons. Sigmund H. McEvoy, R.C.N.V.R., supported the groom. During the signing of the register Mrs. F. Leech sang, "I Love You Truly." J. Malcolm McMillan, brother of the bride, and Tel. James P. Burnett, R.C.N.V.R., were ushers.

Following a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Preedy, Esquimalt, the bride and groom left for a honeymoon in Vancouver. The bride donned a light blue coat with bleached wolf collar, and a mauve orchid. On returning, Mr. and Mrs. Corman will reside at 720 Vancouver St.

French-Speaking Men Make Recordings

Messages to mothers and families were recorded Monday afternoon at C.J.V.I. by 24 French-speaking sailors and soldiers spending their Christmas and New Year on this coast. The recordings will be sent by plane to Montreal where they will be re-broadcast over CBF on Christmas Day.

Capt. Gaboury was the master of ceremonies, while another chaplain, Capt. Climon and Capt. Roger Bourgain, headed the men in uniform, who spoke for one minute. Capt. Gaboury paid tribute to the station management and to M. V. Chestnut, manager, who made the recordings possible. Mme. d'Estreux, president of the French-Canadian Club, speaking for the transcription, said the happy faces of the men were a reward for those who had worked to make the recordings possible.

Later, Lady Swettenham entertained at tea at the Empress Hotel.

Duncan House Burns

DUNCAN—Unoccupied and partly furnished, a newly-built house on York Road was completely destroyed by fire Sunday night. Duncan Volunteer Fire Department was helped by civilian defence workers in preventing the flames from spreading to adjacent homes. The house is reported to have belonged to a Miss Saunders.

Cwac's Entertain At Christmas Party For London Children

By MARGARET ECKER

LONDON (CP)—It is hard to say whom was having the most fun—Hon. J. L. Ralston, Canadian Defence Minister, three-year-old Patty or the company of the Canadian Women's Army Corps giving a Christmas party for children of one of London's worst-bombed slum areas.

Probably Patty, but maybe Col. Ralston.

Crushing a rag doll with cheeks as red as her own, Patty kept saying in a singsong voice, "I've a dolly, I've a dolly."

"Er, never 'ad one before, 'Er always asking for one," said George, Patty's brother, with eyes as bright as his sister's.

"I don't know when I have had so much fun," said the minister, laughing. "This is a wonderful party, and in line with the grand service our girls are doing everywhere. It shows how extremely thoughtful they are, providing a party for the children."

The eyes of Pte. Mickey Thompson of Victoria clouded as she led pigtailed little Mary to the Christmas tree with the explanation that, "I've a little girl like this at home."

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"Safara"—Beige background with flower pattern on corners. Size 2.6x4.6	\$21.50	"Safara"—Beige with flower design. Size 4.0x7.0	\$53.55
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Occasional Chairs in many styles, from.	\$14.00	Mahogany Flat-top Writing Desks, each.	\$56.00
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Blood, Sweat, Tears and Fleas For Nursing Sisters

By MARGARET ECKER

LONDON (CP)—Blood, sweat, tears and fleas—and the time of their young lives—awaited the Canadian Nursing Sisters in North Africa, Sicily and Italy.

Nursing Sister Rae Adams of Toronto, invalided back to England after shrapnel shattered her foot in Sicily, is straining at the leash to be back on active service at the front.

An ack-ack shell, fired at German planes swooping low over Catania, didn't go off until it exploded on the penthouse mess of the Canadian hospital, wounded 12 nurses and three mess boys.

The nurses, with a Canadian general hospital, landed on Sicily July 19, much to their surprise. They hadn't been told their destination when they left England.

The nurses landed at Augusta with the sound of gunfire from the front line, seven miles away, in their ears.

Syracuse was their first stopping place. "We drove 25 miles down the hottest, dustiest and roughest road I've ever seen in my life," she said.

At Syracuse the nurses hadn't been expected quite so soon and there weren't enough sheets to go round. "Most of us were pretty badly bitten by fleas and bed bugs and most of us got dysentery," Miss Adams said.

EQUIPMENT SUNK

Their equipment had been sunk en route so for the first few days everything was makeshift.

The work, Miss Adams said, was back-breaking and, sometimes, heart-breaking.

"But it wasn't long before the invitations started to roll in from men posted around us—feats, cocktail parties, dances, dinners, and swimming parties. Our social life got so strenuous we had to cut down on it."

Later the hospital moved to Catania and from there the girls visited Mount Etna and Taormina—"the most fairylike place in the world," old Roman ruins and beaches where, after a swim, the girls would lie under fig trees and eat the fresh fruit.

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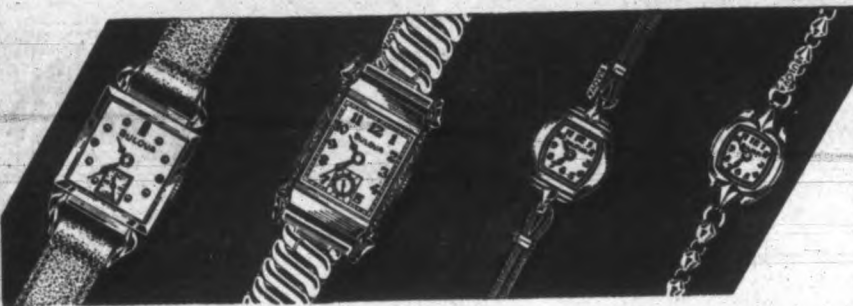
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Solarium W.A. Hears Various Reports

Ticket sales for the joint Kinsmen-Solarium gift home are progressing well, it was reported at a meeting of the Solarium Junior League Monday evening. Mrs. A. W. E. Pitkethley presiding. Work on this attractive five-room bungalow is nearing completion and modern furniture has been chosen to fully furnish the home. A ticket on this gift home was suggested as an ideal Christmas gift.

Committee for the next three months was chosen as follows: Membership, Misses Helen Baird, Marjorie Hall, Lorraine Mercer, Louise Chapman; buying, Misses Kay Sutton, Marjorie Laird; penny boxes, Misses Peggy Mulvihill, Ruggie Prentice, and Florence Scalpin.

Plans were completed for the Snow Ball to be held Dec. 27 in the Empress Hotel, Miss Dorothy Newman convening.

The meeting expressed appreciation and holiday wishes to an anonymous old age pensioner, who has sent \$1 to the W.A. every month for the past 14 months.

A cheque for \$108 was received from Gibson's Bowldrome, the proceeds of a recent bowling tournament.

Mrs. W. B. McEwen reported that \$30.28 had been collected from the penny boxes for November. For checking at the last few concerts at the Royal Victoria Theatre, Miss Dorothy Newman reported that the sum of \$39.73 had been collected. Proceeds from the sale of programs at the Victoria Cavalcade amounted to \$52.66.

Next meeting will take the form of a social evening at the home of Miss Valerie Kearton, 3535 Upper Terrace Road, Jan. 10, the committee in charge being Miss Helen Peden, convenor; Miss Valerie Kearton, Mrs. F. Dunn and Miss Pat Zendray.

More Women Workers Employed in B.C.

British Columbia, with a rise of 34.3 per cent, had the greatest increase in actual number of women workers throughout the Dominion for the year ended Oct. 1, it was shown in a report to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

An increase of 70,000 in the number of women working full-time in Canadian industries has boosted the proportion of women in the nation's total working force by more than one-tenth.

Number of men working in these plants was virtually unchanged. The bureau said that, in addition, employment of women on a part-time basis considerably increased during the 12 months, but detailed figures were not available.

Two-thirds of the women in recorded employment in industrial plants at last Oct. 1 were in manufacturing industries, including light and power. This group numbered 337,251. Next largest groups of women were the 80,238 in trade, 32,958 in finance and 28,819 in miscellaneous services.

Communications, transportation, construction, mining and logging together reported about 34,450 women workers, only 6.7 per cent of the total.

One of the striking increases during the year was in the plants turning out heavy manufactured goods. Women workers constituted 25.6 per cent of their employees at Oct. 1, compared with only 20.9 per cent at the same date last year.

Dickens Club Holds Christmas Party

The singing of carols by members and their friends featured the Christmas party held by the Victoria branch of the Dickens Club Monday night at clubrooms, 301 Union Building. Master of ceremonies for the evening program was Dunc Skerchly.

A. W. Arnot, honorary president, read a letter of greeting from the Dickens Fellowship in London, and also passed along to Capt. W. Ord, president, the congratulations of the club on his recent election to the school board.

R.C.E. Christmas Party

Children of men of the Royal Canadian Engineers' No. 11 Detachment and those of the Detachment whose fathers are serving overseas, enjoyed a Christmas party Saturday afternoon in the Y.M.C.A. Hut at Macaulay Point.

Given by men of the detachment and the W.A. to the R.C.E., the party was enjoyed by 60 children and their parents. Movies were shown and a program of dance numbers was presented by small pupils of Wynne Shaw. Santa Claus distributed gifts from a lighted Christmas tree, after which refreshments were served.

Highlight of the afternoon for

BOVIL MEAT EXTRACT 2-oz. 35¢ 4-oz. 69¢ 8-oz. \$1.19	NABOB COFFEE 1-lb. vacuum tin 47¢	CASH AND CARRY SPECIALS AVAILABLE RIGHT UP TO CHRISTMAS STORE OPEN ALL DAY WEDNESDAY SHOP EARLY WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO LIMIT QUANTITIES	SALADA TEA BAGS Pkg. of 15 17¢	PORT GARRY COFFEE FLAVOR-FRESH PACKAGE 1-lb. 25¢ 1-lb. 48¢
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TURKEYS

GRADE "A"	GRADE "B"	GRADE "C"
45¢ lb.	43¢ lb.	40¢ lb.

SMOKED PORK SHOULDERS

HAMS TENDERIZED, Whole or Half, lb. 42¢	COTTAGE ROLLS TENDERIZED, No. 1 Sliced, lb. 45¢
SIDE BACON No. 1 Sliced, lb. 23¢	BACK BACON No. 1 Sliced, lb. 30¢
BOILING FOWL GRADE A, per lb. 32¢	ROASTING CHICKENS GRADE B, per lb. 39¢
GRAIN-FED PORK PURE PORK SAUSAGE MEAT, per lb. 32¢ SHOULDER PORK BOAST, per lb. 28¢ LOIN (HOPS or ROASTS), per lb. 30¢ BREAKFAST SAUSAGE, per lb. 25¢	DELICATESSEN BAKED HAMS, 5 to 7 lbs. average, per lb. 52¢ BOILED HAM, Sliced, 1/2 lb. 33¢ VEAL or CHEESE LOAF, 1 lb. 19¢ WIENERS, Cellophane Wrapped, per lb. 35¢ PICKLED FIGS' FEET, per lb. 9¢

LOBSTER PASTE 6-oz. tin 49¢	SARDINE PASTE For hors d'oeuvres 23¢ tin	BLACK BASS , per lb. 10¢	FRESH WHITING , per lb. 14¢	EASTERN KIPPERS , per half 22¢	FRESH SKATE , per lb. 15¢	FRESH COB , per lb. 28¢	WHITE SPRING SALMON , per lb. 27¢	LOBSTER 1/2 lb. 69¢ 1/4 lb. 43¢	HEINZ BEEFSTEAK SAUCE 8-oz. bottle 25¢
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OTHER VARIETIES AS AVAILABLE

Fresh FRUITS and VEGETABLES

ORANGES CALIFORNIA NAVELS, size 176s, dozen 45¢	APPLES McIntosh Reds, Extra Fancy, 3 lbs. 27¢; 40-lb. box \$3.39	LEMONS Sunkist, juicy, size 432s, dozen 25¢	GRAPES Red Emperor, per lb. 19¢	GRAPEFRUIT California, size 100s, full of vitamins, 5 for 25¢	POTATOES No. 2 Burbanks, 10 lbs. in Shopping Bag 25¢	ORANGES CALIFORNIA NAVELS, size 200s, dozen 40¢	APPLES Red Delicious, Extra Fancy, 3 lbs. 27¢; 40-lb. box \$3.39	BOILING ONIONS , 5 lbs. 25¢	UTAH CELERY , nice heads, 2 for 15¢	GRAPEFRUIT Texas; thin skins; size 112s 5 for 25¢	TANGERINE ORANGES from California; various sizes	POTATOES Interior No. 2 Netted Gems, 50-lb. bag \$1.45
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Remedies Department Specials

FACE-ELLE CLEANSING TISSUE For handkerchief use. Box of 300 17¢	ROLLED OATS ROBIN HOOD, 5-lb. pkg. 22¢	SOUP HEINZ, Cream of Tomato, 10-oz. 2 tins 19¢	SOUP CAMPBELL'S, Chicken, 10-oz. 2 tins 25¢	MAYONNAISE BEST FOODS, 8-oz. jar 19¢	Noodle Soup Mix LIPTON'S, 2 pkts. 25¢	DOG FOOD PARD, 2 pkts. 25¢	COLGATE'S TOILET SOAP ASSORTED 6 for 25¢	HEALTH-GLO CARBOLIC SOAP 6 for 25¢	NIVEA SOAP , box of 3 cakes 69¢	POND'S BEAUTY BOX , per box 59¢	JASMINE DUSTING POWDER , box 29¢	CHRISTMAS SEALS and TAGS , pkg. of 100 9¢	WOODBURY'S SHAVING SETS for men \$1.10	OLD ENGLISH LAV. ENDER SHAVE LOTION , B COMPLEX 39¢	LILLICO EAU DE COLOGNE 60¢	CHRISTMAS CARDS , box of 21 75¢	PHOTOGRAPH ALBUMS , each 69¢	PANCAKE FLOUR FETTERLITE, 20-oz. pkg. 10¢	ALL-BRAN KELLOGG'S, 16-oz. pkg. 19¢	CREAM OF WHEAT Five-minute or regular, pkg. 20¢	PASTRY FLOUR FETTERLITE, 24-lb. sack \$1.05	FLOOR WAX HAVES PASTE, 1-lb. tin 37¢	MUSTARD Prepared, 24-oz. jar 19¢	PONTIAC MATCHES Large boxes 3 for 23¢	THRIFT SOAP FLAKES 4-lb. carton 37¢
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Christmas Cards

WOODBURY'S SHAVING SETS for men \$1.10	STATIONERY GIFT BOXES , each 89¢	CHRISTMAS WRAPPING PAPER , pkg. 9¢	IMPERIAL MIXTURE \$1.71	PIPE TOBACCO , 1/2-lb. 15¢	Player's or Sweet Caporal Cigarettes , box of 50 80¢
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Red Cross

Fairfield Unit. It was reported at the last meeting that 59 articles, 36 knitted, 23 sewn, were forwarded to headquarters. Of these 45 articles were received from Fairfield Church War Service Unit. Anyone wishing material for knitting or sewing before the January meeting, phone Mrs. J. F. Cameron, E 9229.

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Modern Pharmacy, G 1511
Merrifield & Duck, G 3532
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Columnist Urges Dropping Border and Trade Barriers

SPOKANE — Nancy Hodges, M.L.A., of Victoria is featured in a special illustrated article in the Spokesman-Review by Margaret Bean, staff writer. Published under the heading: "She believes in Neighborliness, Urges Dropping of Trade Bars," the article says:

"Nancy Hodges is the sort of woman who helps make the world go around. And if you didn't meet Mrs. Hodges when she was here attending the Pacific Northwest Trade Association conference, the only woman delegate, it was your hard luck. She is interested in everybody and everything and consequently everybody is interested in her."

"By the way of a thumb-nail introduction, she is an English woman who has lived in Canada for 31 years and loves its wide open spaces so much she feels cramped when she returns to England. She writes a daily column for the Victoria Daily Times, is a member of the provincial legislature of British Columbia, wears her hat with chic, has an English accent, a husband and an apartment."

IS A FREE TRADER

"The Spokesman-Review photographer and I cornered her at 11. Davenport and had just coaxed a smile into place when she came Seattle's publisher Miller Freeman, Chamber of Commerce head D. K. MacDonald and Time representative Paul O'Neill. Then we hunted a bedroom for an interview—we didn't feel that these Seattleites would be any help to our effort to be serious."

"We began by taking the world apart, rather sketchily, to see how it could be made better."

"For one thing," said Mrs. Hodges, "I'm a free trader and I think trade barriers have been the basis for most of our wars. There is the old cry of 'keeping up our living standards but I believe the time has come when

we must help the depressed populations of the world, even if it means some sacrifices on our part. We have become so spoiled that we think luxuries are necessities. However, I am a great believer in cleaning off our own doorstep before we begin on the world's."

"We talked about the friendliness of Canada and the United States and she said, 'I think we ought to drop all trade barriers and live together without all this border friction. For instance, isn't it silly that I have to get a passport to visit the United States? Neither country wants the undesirable of the other but I don't see why people of recognized standing should have to be bothered with border regulations'."

"We talked about Alaska. 'That is our last great frontier,' she said, 'and it is going to bring us as great fortunes as in the opening of the west. But do you know of what I'm afraid?'"

"I didn't. 'It is that we have lost the pioneering spirit. We went life too soft.' Mrs. Hodges believes that we must instill some of the homely virtues of honesty, decency and respect for the other fellow in the coming generation. Progressive educators in teaching children to express themselves have forgotten that you are apt to step on the other fellow's toes in expressing yourself," she said.

"The thing that has made the greatest impression on Mrs. Hodges, since arriving in the United States, is her first introduction to a zoo suit. 'I couldn't believe my eyes,' she related. 'There it was on the platform at the Seattle station, a Negro in the most fabulous suit I ever saw. It was so amazing that I wrote an entire column and sent it back to my newspaper.'"

"At a Pacific Northwest Trade banquet, Mrs. Hodges sat unmoved before a plate of beefsteak while the rest of the banqueters went into rhapsody. She said Canadians got all the beef they wanted. But give her a can of tomatoes, or some dried prunes, or raisins or canned grapefruit juice and she would set off some fireworks."

Personal Notes

Mrs. James Mason and Mrs. E. McMurchy of Brampton, Ont., are spending the winter at the Empress Hotel.

Miss Jessie Farr, whose marriage will take place after Christmas to Lieut. F. Murray Patrick, U.S. Army, is expected to arrive Thursday from Spokane, Wash., where she has been teaching school. She will stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Farr, 2771 Burdick Avenue.

About 25 Wrens were entertained at tea Sunday afternoon at the home of Mrs. R. H. Pooley, Old Esquimalt Road, when members of the Home Hospitality Committee of the I.O.D.E. were hostesses. Mrs. Pooley received the guests, assisted by Mrs. S. R. Bowden, convenor, and Mrs. A. H. C. Phipps, municipal regent.

The group was the drawing for prizes, proceeds of which aided the Yuletide Comforts Fund of the R.C.E. Women's Auxiliary.

Esquimalt Discusses Proposed New Hall

Proposal of Wartime Housing Limited to construct and operate a community hall as a recreation centre on Lyall Street was discussed by the municipal council of Esquimalt Monday night, at the final meeting of 1943, with councillors agreeing that further information on the proposal should be sought.

Councillors learned that it was proposed to take over a lot or lots in the municipality for the hall, and Reeve Alex Lockley stated that the government would not make a grant towards property it did not control. Councillor F. G. Eaton raised the question whether instead of a new hall a grant might not be made to some existing community organization. Council felt that construction of a sidewalk near the intersection on Esquimalt Road, north side, was impractical. Regarding a proposal that mili-

tary policemen be posted on point duty at the intersection of Canteen and Esquimalt Roads to control civilian traffic, Chief Constable C. E. Pecknold wrote council, stating he did not think the proposal would meet with the public's approval, and suggested that a special constable be appointed to serve there, with Yarrows Ltd. meeting the expense. Labour management production committee of Yarrows Ltd. endorsed the proposal to have a point-duty constable, stating that one would be needed between 7.30 and 8 in the morning and between 4.30 and 5 in the evening. Chief Constable Pecknold's letter was referred to Yarrows.

A council committee will meet with secretary of Gorge Vale Golf Club with regard to the latter's proposal to move a streetcar stop sign on Craigflower Road from the corner of Tillicum to the corner of Lampson. Council agreed to have ditch dug in front of the property of Mrs. M. R. Hall, providing Mrs. Hall would meet half the cost. Request of

F. Butterfield, surveyor, that nine lots owned by G. S. Newstead on Barton Road be converted to acreage to lower taxation was laid on the table. Payment of salaries and indemnities before Christmas were provided for in resolutions passed by council.

All-Night Prayers For Dead Chaplain

A guard of honor will pray all night, starting at 5 this afternoon, around the body of Rev. Father Arthur Desgagne, as it lies in state before the high altar of St. Andrew's Cathedral. Funeral mass will be sung in the morning at 9.30 by Bishop John C. Cody.

Father Desgagne, 61, native of Quebec, died after a brief illness at Mount St. Mary, where he had been acting chaplain. He had come here from eastern Canada, where he had been pastor of St. Paul's Church, St. Placid, Quebec, in the diocese of Chicoutimi. He had not been in the best of health.

Prunes and Raisins For New Year—Maybe

Belief that a shipment of dried fruits, including prunes, figs and raisins may arrive from California for the Victoria market about the first of the year, was expressed by C. A. Conrad, War-time Prices and Trade Board official, today.

A shipment is scheduled to arrive, but we don't know how large it will be, or just the exact

date of arrival," he said. "All such commodities are handled through an international food organization, which allocates supplies to all countries within the United Nations."

"Australian raisins have been arriving from time to time. I think we had approximately six shipments in the last three or four months, but, of course, they had to be allocated to cities and towns all across Canada."

During 1943 Canada obtained "roughly 60 per cent" of the amount of raisin supplies she had in 1942," Mr. Conrad said.

Faulty Plumbing Depicted in Film

Health hazards of faulty plumbing will be depicted in motion picture form when "The Ominous Arms Case," a 30-minute sound production, is shown by the Victoria Branch of the National Association of Plumbing and Heating Contractors of Canada Inc., in Prince Albert Room of Empress Hotel, Wednesday evening, at 8.

All interested members of the public have been invited to attend and a special invitation has been issued members of the medical profession, health and sanitary officers, building and plumbing inspectors, architects and builders and licensed plumbers and journeymen plumbers.

Following an outbreak of amoebic dysentery in Chicago several years ago, six contracting plumbers, feeling the need of a research and testing laboratory, established the Chicago Plumbing Laboratory. From that grew the National Plumbing Laboratory, which was established to protect public health through preserving the purity of the potable water supply, by testing plumbing apparatus and systems in "a scientific and unprejudiced manner," an association officer said today.

"The plumbing industry realized that the public must be informed of the menace to health that lies in the homes and buildings in which they live. At present they fail to realize the serious menace which may exist due to pollution of water, through faulty fixtures and through improper pipes which carry the water through their homes, installed by the so-called plumber."

"Proper plumbing properly installed and properly designed, spells the difference in many instances between death and life."

"The Ominous Arms Case," which tells the story of water-borne disease and depicts the health hazards of faulty plumbing, was produced by the Pure Water Film Inc., a non-profit corporation organized under the Illinois law to administer the fund raised by the plumbing industry for this motion picture, the association officer said.

'Pot' Collections Fall Behind 1942

Salvation Army pot collections on the street have been falling considerably behind last year, officers announced today, appealing to the public to give generously so that the poor, aged and infirm may have a good Christmas.

Last year the Salvation Army gave out 192 Christmas hampers, 72 Christmas dinners to poor, infirm and aged men, and 70 Christmas dinners and entertainment to poor and underprivileged children.

The Christmas dinner this year for poor men will be held at the Y.W.C.A. Dec. 27, while the chil-

dren's dinner and treat will be Dec. 30.

Besides special work at Christmas the Salvation Army gave 760 free beds, 1,840 free meals, 322 articles of clothing, besides groceries and fuel to families needy through accident and sickness.

Agriculture Minister Sees More Farm Help

Agriculture Minister K. C. MacDonald returned Monday from a farm conference in Ottawa with the assurance to farmers of B.C. that next year they can confidently expect more labor.

"We feel satisfied they can depend on this," the minister said.

The emergency farm labor program, he said, will be continued and increased. It was highly successful last year, when 11,000 persons from all walks of life went into the fields and saved the crops.

In addition, Dr. MacDonald said, there is expected to be more casual labor willing to take farm work.

The great difficulty is in getting men to work permanently on dairy farms, which need help 12 months of the year. In this connection Dr. MacDonald recommended that conscientious objectors be released from the woods and allowed to work on the dairy farms. Many of them are expert farmers, he pointed out, and could do a great deal of good and add their part to dairy production.

"Next year we will increase our livestock, dairy products, small fruits and vegetables, eggs, poultry and fibre flax," the minister said.

"We are going to get more by attempting to stimulate the farmers—by guaranteeing them increased labor."

Farmers may plan now for increased plantings in the spring, said Dr. MacDonald, with the assurance that there will be more labor available during the heavy seasons on the land.

Andy George, Born Here, Dies at 59 Years

One of the best-known shipping men of the Northwest, Andrew George, 59, native son of Victoria, is dead here. He had lived at 708 Vancouver Street.

His parents were the late Capt. and Mrs. W. E. George, pioneer residents of Victoria. Capt. George died here 20 years ago, at the age of 80; his wife died in 1941 at the age of 90.

After attending Victoria schools he entered the service of the Great Northern Railway Company and served at various B.C. points and in Washington State. Later he was a shipping agent at Prince Rupert and also lived in Vancouver where he operated an insurance and broker age business. In recent years he had been retired because of ill-health.

No City Taxi Action Until Request Made

Revision of taxi regulations here, entailing an increase in minimum fares, will be considered by the City Council only after receipt of a request for such action in writing, Mayor Andrew McGavin said following a meeting between the city's transportation committee and Norman Howard, member of the Vancouver division of War-time Prices and Trades Board.

Mr. Howard reported the taxi operators had applied to the board for a new schedule of rates, said the proposed revision would mean a slight increase in minimum charges but no major difference in overall rates, would include a clause covering multiple fares and would require drivers to give signed receipts to customers.

The mayor outlined the history of the present taxi by-law, said it had been drafted at the request of taxi interests some years ago, and had called for installation of taxi meters. Conditions,

he added, had prevented acquisition of the meters.

Heavier Air Letters

OTTAWA (CP)—The Post Office Department announced the two-ounce weight limit on air mail to the United Kingdom has been removed, although it still applies to Sweden and air mail forwarded via the United States to Europe, Africa, Asia, and Hawaii. The weight limit does not apply to Mexico, Central and South America, or the West Indies and other islands within the Caribbean.

Boilermakers Elect Officers for Year

Gerrard Cuihane was elected president of the Boilermakers' and Iron Shipbuilders Union, Local No. 2, at that group's annual meeting, Sunday.

R. M. Walton was returned as vice-president; F. H. Dyke as financial secretary; C. T. Anderson, recording secretary; W. E. White, P. Ross and John Woods, trustees; Al Vickery, guard; Asa Bond, warden; and E. A. McLennan, business agent.

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Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

REACTION of Victoria hockey fans to the Ottawa edict withdrawing all R.C.A.F. teams from league competition through-out Canada effective Jan. 6, seems to be that the air force boys should have been stopped playing hockey at the start of the season and not after they are well into their schedules. General opinion is that now the clubs have been organized and are valued members of senior circuits they should be allowed to complete the season.

As one well-known local fan remarked: "This latest ruling ties right in with a lot of other regulations that have come out of the capital since the war started. They don't seem to realize that a lot of time and money have been spent getting these hockey leagues organized and into operation. And here's another thing. Reason given for the withdrawal of the air force clubs was the movement of air force personnel for the purpose of playing hockey. The teams are not being taken out or organized hockey because of their hampering the war effort. So why couldn't they have been allowed to finish out the season? Then next season an order could have gone out banning league hockey. In practically every case the hockey players are ground crew members and their posting to any particular area makes little difference to their particular jobs."

Loss of R.C.A.F. Sea Hawks to the Coast League is not worrying local fans as much as the possible folding of the circuit. They are wondering if the Army and Navy clubs are slated to follow in the footsteps of the air-men. As far as we have been able to learn neither the Army or Navy teams have received any such information. They have every intention of carrying on, which will guarantee fans of the coast cities first-class hockey. The coast circuit can get along nicely with five teams.

For four or five seasons the highlight of Victoria's basketball season was the visit of the famed Harlem Globe Trotters. The last

couple of years the Trotters, like our Dominions, have been among the missing. However, Abe Saperstein and his dusky cage wizards are still going on tour every winter. Received a long letter from the dapper little Chicago promoter giving us the dope on his latest collection of court stars.

And, as usual, owner-coach Saperstein has come up with an other great crop of talent, despite war conditions. He has combed the entire United States for available men of traditional Globe Trotter class and the hunt has been entirely successful. The new aggregation will be a worthy successor to those that piled up the amazing record of 2,237 games won and only 189 lost the last 16 years, while, at the same time, wowling the fans with their brilliant brand of showmanship, lightning-like passing and ball-handling. Last season the Trotters played 41 service clubs.

The Globe Trotters will hit about every Army post in the Pacific northwest and on down the coast into California. They have five games scheduled with the teams of Fort Lewis, Wash., where Morris Aronovitch, former National League outfielder, is the coach. In California, Saperstein's team will play the Santa Ana Air Base at the post, in Long Beach and in Los Angeles. And after all that the Trotters will make their annual tour of Mexico where basketball rapidly is growing in favor and principally because of the series between the Harlems and Chihuahua State Teachers. The Globe Trotters won't play much in the Midwest, but one of their appearances will be against the Great Lakes Negro team on the station court.

In normal times, Saperstein considered it a wasted season when he didn't cover 35,000 miles with his basketball team, but this winter and spring he won't do much more than 20,000 miles. The Globe Trotters put on one of the best shows to be found in the sports world and as his contribution, Saperstein wants as many servicemen as possible to see them in action.

Three More Entries For Christmas Swim

With the field for the Christmas swim in the Inner Harbor, increased to nine, coach G. Spence Matthews and other executive members of the Victoria Amateur Swimming Club, sponsors of the annual 50-yard handicap, will gather at the Crys-

tal Garden tonight at 8, to complete plans for the event.

Latest entries are Don Wilson, Ken Hurn and Eric Jubb. Competitors are asked to be at the Gardens tonight between 7 and 8 to be timed.

Matthews stated today the schoolchildren's session will be held Thursday afternoon but that there will be no session Friday or the following Friday.

The Christmas event will be held at 11 in the morning.

Patty Berg Voted Athlete Of Year For Second Time

NEW YORK (AP) — Patty Berg tossed aside her crutches this summer and marched off with the women's athlete-of-the-year designation in the Associated Press' annual poll.

Miss Berg, who suffered a fractured left knee cap and a lacerated jaw in an automobile crash near Corsicana, Tex., in December of 1941, returned to the golf fairways for the first time in June of this year and reclaimed the women's western open championship.

Her 1-up victory over Dot Kirby in the sub-par final round so engrossed the sports editors of the United States that 30 of the 52 voting in the poll listed her as the year's No. 1 woman athlete.

On the basis of three points for each first-place vote, two for second and one for third, Miss Berg collected 118 points.

PAULINE BETZ SECOND — Pauline Betz, who retained her national tennis title in the matches at Forest Hills, N.Y., in September, finished second with 76 points, while swimmer Gloria Callen, winner of the top honor a year ago, skidded to third with 28.

It is the second appearance at the head of the list for Miss Berg, now a lieutenant in the Marine Corps Reserve. She also gained the honor in 1938 when as an amateur she annexed the Miami-Biltmore title for the third straight time, the south Atlantic crown, the Trans-Mississippi, western and the national championships.

The leading women athletes of 1943 with the sports in which they starred (first-place votes in parenthesis): Patty Berg, golf (30) 118; Pauline Betz, tennis (11) 76; Gloria Callen, swimming (4) 28; Ann Curtis, swimming (4) 21; Suzanne Zimmerman, swimming (3) 17.

Ralph Zanelli Upsets Old Fritzie Zivic

BOSTON (AP) — Ralph Zanelli, 148½, of Providence, upset Fritzie Zivic, 152, of Pittsburgh, Monday night at Boston Garden, giving the former world welterweight champion a thorough going-over in the 10-round main bout.

Zanelli, uncovered a stiff left jab, a punch which he seldom has demonstrated during his lengthy career, and bothered Zivic throughout the fight with this unexpected weapon.

The action was so tense in the late stages that both boys kept swinging lustily after the final bell, and their handlers were forced to wrestle them apart to avert a disturbance around the ringside.

Zanelli suffered an eye cut in the eighth, after some wicked infighting, but the handlers fixed him up during the intermission. Zivic went right to work on the damaged optic in the next two rounds, but Zanelli's rugged tactics were equal to the occasion, and he gave Fritzie a vicious pummeling in the final frame.

Zanelli was given the unanimous verdict of the officials.

CAPE BRETON HOCKEY

SYDNEY, N.S. (CP) — Sydney Navy trounced Cape Bay R.C.A.F. 8 to 1 here Monday night to mark up their third straight win in the Cape Breton Senior Hockey League.

Bernie Bathgate of Winnipeg, last year with the Flin Flin Bombers, made his initial appearance with Navy, scoring twice. Lloyd Smith of Portage la Prairie, who was with last season's Memorial Cup champions, was credited with assists on both of Bathgate's goals.

Racing Results

TROPICAL PARK—Horse racing results here Monday follow:
First race—Six furlongs: Moonlight Bobby (Korcoran) 3:30.
Time 1:11.5. Also ran: Little Bud, Zouave, Carlotta, Elmer, Paladin, Gambler.
Second race—Six furlongs: City Boy (Thompson) 3:30.50. Also ran: Supreme (Haskett) 3:30.50. Valinda Infant (Arcaro) 3:30.50. Time 1:11.5. Also ran: Disco, Magmont, Lord Holman, General War, Big Red, Penmar, Co. B. Youth, Brock.
Third race—Mile and 70 yards: Cherrytown (Permaline) 3:10.40. Also ran: Rooted Oak (Korcoran) 3:10.40. Miami Springs (Lundberg) 3:10.40. Time 1:44.5. Also ran: Donnal, Mueley, One Dollar, Short Street, Cherry Crush, Air Transit, Pop O. Woe.
Fourth race—Mile and 70 yards: Blue Book (Delano) 3:10.40. Also ran: U.S. Salute (Atkinson) 3:10.40. Ringmaster (Permaline) 3:10.40. Time 1:43.5. Also ran: Miss Howard, Deer York.
Fifth race—Six furlongs: Weathered (Atkinson) 3:30.50. Also ran: Alcy (Frent) 3:30.50. Time 1:10.5. Also ran: Hot Gun, Bushy Arc, Easy Wind, Philman, Frontier, Jane, Caesar B., Piped, Blitch, Archer.
Sixth race—Mile and 70 yards: Semper (Delano) 3:10.40. Also ran: Kanlan (Chaggett) 3:10.40. Morn. Moon (Permaline) 3:10.40. Time 1:44.5. Also ran: Happy Pilot, Cocher, Ltd., Kandar, Full Cry, Up the Creek.
Seventh race—Mile and 70 yards: Company Post (Delano) 3:10.40. Also ran: Alfy (Caffarini) 3:10.40. Pleading Wren (Moore) 3:10.40. Time 1:43.5. Also ran: Cyrus P.
Eighth race—Mile and 70 yards: Valinda Lord (Lorton) 3:10.40. Also ran: Yvonne (Haskett) 3:10.40. Gals Dine (Frent) 3:10.40. Time 1:44.5. Also ran: B. Way, Astray, Sumner, Wind Bob, B. Way, Beauty, Noddy, Laps, Valinda Joe, Kildown.

No Kicks



Italian prisoners of war play soccer on snow-blanketed field at Pine Camp, Watertown, N.Y.

Yankees Voted Team of Year

Nose Out Notre Dame

NEW YORK (AP) — It's the New York Yankees doing the rags-to-riches routine, to move from the biggest disappointment of 1942 to number one team of 1943, but Joe McCarthy's clan had to go hard to nose out Notre Dame's Irishmen.

For the 12th straight year the annual poll of sports writers conducted by the Associated Press, has produced a baseball winner, but football might have broken the string this time if Notre Dame had been able to get past the Great Lakes sailors in the last game.

Final tabulations show the Yanks and Irish received the same number of first-place votes, 32 each, but the world champs got their winning margin in total points, 168-166, through the balloting for second and third.

If the upset by Great Lakes cost Notre Dame the title, the fact that the Yankees bounced back to beat the St. Louis Cardinals in the world series won the crown.

Once again it was the world series that counted most with the voters, just as last year's top award had gone to the Red Birds from St. Louis after they had dazzled the baseball world with their speed.

Of the 27 teams mentioned in the poll, 13 were football clubs, with the remainder divided among basketball with five, baseball with four, hockey with three, and swimming with two.

In the men's par competition at the Victoria Golf Club, H. F. Hepburn was the winner, finishing his square. H. A. Tomalin and R. H. B. Ker tied for second, each being 2 down.

Leafs Invade Boston

Bruins Protect Record

Toronto Maple Leafs invade Boston tonight for the National Hockey League's only encounter of the evening. Having a three-point margin over the third-place Bruins, the Leafs cannot be ousted from second place, but a bitter struggle is in prospect.

The Bruins are still unbeaten on their home ice this season, and that record includes a convincing 8 to 5 victory over the Leafs. At Toronto, the Bruins have won one and lost one.

The reshuffled Legion pack tonight will again have Benny Grant in the nets where Turk Broda cavorted for so many seasons. The Leafs were advised

Young Lightweight Fighter Dies From Injuries in Bout

CHICAGO (AP) — Al Reasoner, 25-year-old, lightweight boxer, died in Columbus Hospital today, five hours after he suffered a technical knockout in a 10-round boxing bout Monday night with Freddie Dawson of Chicago.

Reasoner, who had been boxing professionally since October, 1942, was unconscious when he was carried from the ring in the 10th round and died without regaining consciousness, said Dr. E. J. Buchan of the Illinois Athletic Commission.

Dr. Buchan, who said the cause of the young boxer's death was cerebral hemorrhage, announced an inquest would be held. He termed death "an accident."

Dawson outboxed Reasoner in the first nine rounds of their headline bout at the Marigold Gardens, and at the start of the final round, the Chicagoan sent the Hines, Ill., lightweight to the canvas with a left hook. Reasoner, who weighed 137½ to Dawson's 135½, arose at a one count and Dawson peppered him with a two-fisted attack, sending him to the canvas for the third time in the round.

Referee Norm McGarity then stopped the bout. Reasoner was able arise, but collapsed before getting to his corner and was carried to his dressing room where he was given first aid by Dr. Buchan, who ordered his removal to the hospital.

Winnipeg Army Wins Hockey in Overtime

WINNIPEG (CP) — Winnipeg Army defeated Winnipeg R.C.A.F. Bombers 6 to 4 in overtime Monday night to move into the first-place tie with the airmen in the Winnipeg Services Senior Hockey League.

Bob Kirkpatrick took Edgar Laprade's pass to put Army ahead in the opening period. In the middle session the soldiers lost the lead as Joe Krol and Bill Snider scored but in the closing minutes Jimmy McFadden tied the count again.

In the third, Krol got his second counter for the Bombers and Rene Trudel bagged another while Len Halvorsen and Edgar Laprade netted for the Army. McFadden scored the winning goal in 34 seconds in the overtime session while Steve Wochy added another three minutes later.

Calgary Combines In First Hockey Win

RED DEER, Alta. (CP) — A strictly offensive brand of game has given Calgary Tecumseh Mustangs its first victory in the Alberta Services Senior Hockey League. The club, a combination of air force and navy players, dropped its first four starts, but Monday night broke the string with a hard-earned 3 to 2 victory over Red Deer Army Wheelers.

Wheeler and the other Calgary club, Currie Barracks, each have won three games, but Red Deer has lost two games against Currie's one.

Tecumseh-Mustangs took a 2 to 0 first-period lead against Wheeler when Pete Slobodian scored in the 16th minute and B. Macdougall got the other less than a minute later. The visitors kept the puck dead in Red Deer territory, playing five men up.

Each club scored once in the second period—Doug Cairns for Calgary and Eddie O'Keefe for the Wheelers. Much of the play in this period also was around the Wheeler net. O'Keefe reduced the count in the third period and Wheeler put on the pressure but they couldn't break through the Calgary defence.

V.M.D. Outfight Army For Great Hockey Win

Stiff Checking, Fights Mark 5 to 3 Battle

Showing as much fight as a gang of debutants on the trail of a pair of nylon hose, Victoria Machinery Depot outfought the Nanaimo Army for a thrill-packed 5 to 3 victory in the Pacific Coast Hockey League clash at the Willows Arena Monday night. It was a spine tingler all the way with a wild third period producing as many penalties, 10 including two majors, as most local games.

Apparently determined to hand their playing coach, Connie King, a win for Christmas, the shipyarders threw all their scoring punch into the first two periods to build up a 5 to 1 margin and then check the Army to a standstill in the final 20 minutes to hold them to two goals and clinch the decision.

V.M.D. were 100 per cent improved over the club that went down to defeat before St. Regis Friday night. Their defence was really stiffened and, with the addition of Jimmy Kilburn, was body checking the fast-skating Army forwards all over the pond. Big Wally McIntyre had a particularly good night in the bumping department and more than one Army player found himself lying flat on his back. Goalie Laurel Harney, with good protection, turned in a smart exhibition.

Up front the V.M.D. matched every offensive trick of the Army. After sharing in the first two goals to give the shipyarders a 2 to 0 margin at the end of 20 minutes, playing coach Connie King remained on the bench to direct his club for the rest of the evening. His centre position was ably filled by Ronnie Gardiner who made an auspicious return to the lineup after missing one game. Gardiner was skating a lot faster and his passing was greatly improved. He drew as-is to goal.

DUFFY SCORES PAIR

Left winger Maurice Duffy was high scorer for the V.M.D. with a pair of counters, while King, Red Sutherland and Frank Warshawski contributed singles. Sammy Kennedy, Mars Marzo and Dave MacKay were the successful snipers for the Army.

Just to keep the fans really on their toes, the boys threw in a couple of scuffles for good measure. In the second period Duffy and MacKay, who seemed to be carrying a special chip around all evening, started wrestling each other around and drew five minutes apiece in the cooler. In the third period Pinky Melnyk carried Gardiner to the ice and started throwing a few punches and the pair each drew five minutes to cool off.

Teams opened at a terrific clip and after end to end rushes with no let up had the fans cheering, "Put the V.M.D. out in front at 17:40, taking a goalmouth pass from Jack Kilpatrick and flipping the rubber-high into the Army cage. Fifteen seconds later King slipped a beautiful pass into the Army defence to the speedy Duffy and he made no mistake as he swept in on top of goalie Ray Reigner. It was a typical King-Duffy goal.

Third V.M.D. counter came at 5:07 of the second period when Gardiner stole the pie inside the Army blue line, beat one defenceman and passed to Duffy just outside the crease and the red light flashed. Army hit the score lights for the first time at 10:35, Kennedy sweeping a backhand pass from Melnyk past Harney.

Marzo also drew an assist. Defenceman Sutherland made it 4 to 1, at 12:20, beating Reigner with a backhand shot as he flashed past the side of the net. Duffy got an assist. Following a pretty three-way passing play in front of the Army goal, defenceman Warshawski picked the corner of the net for the final V.M.D. score at 15:05. Duffy and Gardiner were credited with assists.

Army opened the third period with a do-or-die spirit, and their efforts produced two quick goals by Marzo at 3:39, and MacKay at 6:05, but there until the final whistle the V.M.D. held safe.

Next game at the Victoria Arena will be Monday, December 27, at 8:30, when the Navy will entertain the smart R.C.A.F. Sea Hawks.

LINE-UPS

Army — Reigner; Sawchuk, MacKay; McIntyre; Dufault, Deslats; Subs: Metz, Melnyk, Kennedy, Marzo, Sutherland, Mohns. V.M.D. — Harney; Warshawski, Sutherland; Algar; Evers; Wilson. Subs: McIntyre, Kilburn.

Hockey Standings

	W	L	D	F	A	P.
Canadians	13	2	3	83	38	29
Toronto	10	8	2	88	79	22
Boston	8	8	3	87	92	19
Chicago	9	9	0	73	79	18
Detroit	6	7	3	59	63	35
Rangers	2	14	1	58	97	5

COAST LEAGUE

	W	L	D	F	A	P.
R.C.A.F.	7	1	2	58	41	16
Navy	7	2	2	43	31	16
Army	6	7	0	65	51	12
V.M.D.	5	5	0	40	46	10
St. Regis	3	8	1	47	69	7
C.P.A.L.	2	6	1	37	52	5

Rayner Gets First Shutout As Navy Wins Hockey 5-0

VANCOUVER — With goalie Chuck Rayner scoring the first shutout of the Pacific Coast Hockey League season, Navy whitewashed St. Regis here Monday night 5 to 0, to move back into a tie with R.C.A.F. Sea Hawks for first place in the standings.

St. Regis held off the powerful sailors until midway through the second period, when Jack McLeod got the first goal of the game. The civilians tightened up again, and Navy did not count another until the third period was half over.

From there on it was a bit one-sided, with the sailors firing three more goals to make the final count 5 to 0. Joe McArthur put the sailors two goals ahead on a solo effort. Six minutes later Hal Brown added another on a passing play with Reise.

Tomson made it 4 on a solo effort two minutes later, and then, 38 seconds after that, McKay ended the scoring after taking a pass from McArthur.

St. Regis were without defenceman Hal McBride, who is ill with influenza.

SUMMARY

First period — Scoring, none. Penalty: Landiak.
Second period — 1, Navy, McLeod (McKay), 10:09.
Third period — 2, Navy, McArthur, 10:08; 3, Navy, Brown (Reise), 15:59; 4, Navy, Tomson, 18:08; 5, Navy, McKay (McArthur), 18:46. Penalty: Tomson.

Tony Demers Joins New York Rangers

NEW YORK (CP) — Lester Patrick, manager of New York Rangers, Monday announced he had acquired Tony Demers from Montreal Canadiens for the balance of the National Hockey League season.

Demers has just been discharged from the Canadian army and comes to the Rangers as part of the Phil Watson deal. Watson, unpermitted to give up his Montreal residence because of his war work, has been loaned to the Canadians for the season in return for four players sent to New York.

Patrick said that in return for Demers' services, he has granted the Canadiens permission to use Watson in games in New York. Previously the flashy centre could be dressed only in games in other cities.

Demers is not in shape for N.H.L. competition immediately, Patrick said, and will report to Providence, R.I., of the American Hockey League for seasoning, subject to recall to the Rangers on 24-hour notice.

King, Duffy, Kilpatrick and Gardiner.

Officials — Referee, Wilson; Linesman, H. Sutherland.

SUMMARY

First period — 1, V.M.D. King (Kilpatrick), 17:40; 2, V.M.D., Duffy (King), 17:55. Penalties: Melnyk, Duffy.

Second period — 3, V.M.D., Duffy (Gardiner), 5:07; 4, Army, Kennedy (Melnyk, Marzo), 10:31; 5, V.M.D., S. Sutherland (Duffy), 12:20; 6, V.M.D., Warshawski (Duffy, Gardiner), 15:05. Penalties: MacKay (5 minutes), Evers (5 minutes).

Third period — 7, Army, Marzo (Melnyk), 3:39; 8, Army, MacKay, 6:05. Penalties: MacKay, Gardiner, Sawchuk, Deslats, S. Sutherland, Kilburn 2, Mohns, Melnyk (5 minutes), Gardiner (5 minutes).

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Lemons In Saanich Grow Large As Grapefruit

Harry Salmon, 85, retired Victoria tobacconist now making his home at Mount Newton, set out a few years ago to see just what tropical fruits he could raise in the Saanich climate and ended up this year with lemons bigger than grapefruit.

Two years ago Mr. Salmon bought two giant lemon trees from an Ontario conservatory and planted them in his own greenhouse at Mount Newton. After seeing this year's results—half a dozen outside lemons from each tree—he says he recommends anyone owning a greenhouse to go in for raising lemons.

Other tropical fruits which he has experimented with in his 30 years at Mount Newton are honeydew melons grown in the open and fig trees, raised with no protecting wall. He also has 14 varieties of apples, a number of peach trees and grape vines.

"It's just a hobby and I've never had any idea of commercializing it," he says. "My gardener, who has been with me for 13 years, is a wonderful help."

Altogether, Mr. Salmon owns 45 acres which he describes as "mostly beautiful woodland." He has won first prize in the Saanich Horticultural Society competition for the best combined flower and vegetable garden and orchard.



Harry Salmon compares one of the lemons he raises at Mount Newton with one from California. His own weigh more than pound.

tion for the best combined flower and vegetable garden and orchard.

1,700 More Sacks Today Swell Record Christmas Mail



Victoria citizens in the hundreds keep the cheerful parcel-weighting clerks working at top speed as last-minute gifts are posted.

One of the heaviest mails in Victoria's history arrived at the Post Office this morning when 1,702 bags were received from the east, topping Monday's figure of 1,590 bags, G. H. Gardiner, postmaster, said today. The Post Office this December has handled 110,000 more letters than in any other December in its history, with 235,000 letters going through the cancelling machines Monday alone. Monday's figure for letters was topped by one day during the Christmas rush two years ago, according to Mr. Gardiner, but mail for the whole month of December has never been so heavy before. When this photograph was taken, one truck and 15 dollies had just completed the haulage of 1,590 bags from the C.P.R. wharf to the Post Office.



Sorters check over the thousands of parcels reaching the Post Office daily.

Epidemic Of Colds Here Over Worst, Say Medical Men

It isn't flu, in the strictly technical sense, but the upper respiratory trouble which is sweeping Victoria is dealing out body blows that are laying up people in virtually every home, it was learned from a canvass today.

Dr. Richard Feltton, city medical health officer, stated emphatically today the illness is definitely not influenza, despite popular use of that name to characterize the ailment. He voiced opinion the city was over the worst of the bad colds.

"There are a lot of bad colds around," said Dr. J. W. Lennox, president of the Victoria Medical Society. "It's something like the old time la grippe with a bronchial condition which makes people feel very miserable, with high temperatures and a high degree of contagion. Generally it leaves the individual very weak and one or two cases of mild pneumonia have been reported."

"A lot of people are getting along by themselves, and although it puts them out of commission, the illness is not severe."

GO TO BED
He advised those suffering to go to bed and warned them to take care of themselves to avoid the dangers of pneumonia which might arise if cases are neglected.

"What we need," Dr. Lennox added, "is a good rain to clean the atmosphere."

The present epidemic is pretty well over the worst, Dr. G. F. Amyot, provincial health officer, said today.

"There has been nothing serious," Dr. Amyot said.

As far as health authorities are concerned, the only way they have of checking on an epidemic is by doctor's reports. Most people who have been laid up in recent weeks have not called physicians; thus, as far as the health officers are concerned, they were not sick.

Dr. Amyot stated quite definitely that the sickness of recent weeks is not the type of influenza that was prevalent in 1918.

People are still going down with the sniffles and shivers, however. There hasn't been an office without its sick list. One big bank had 15 persons away at one time. Dozens have been absent from offices in the Parliament Buildings. More than one person, trying to fight off a cold, has hurriedly gone home, shaking violently.

Funeral Held



Many friends attended funeral service in the Sands Chapel Monday afternoon for Mrs. Charlotte Elizabeth McLaren. Rev. J. W. L. McLean, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, officiated and burial was in the family plot at Ross Bay.

Verdict Jan. 4 In Martin Case

Trial of A. D'Arcy C. Martin, on a charge of stealing a \$100 Province of Ontario bond, the property of Rose Elizabeth Plym sell, was adjourned for verdict Jan. 4 at 10.30 by Judge Lennox in County Court here today.

On that day counsel will also speak to two other security theft charges against Martin.

Argument was completed by J. B. Clearhue, K.C., crown counsel, and Joseph McKenna, for the defence, at this morning's hearing.

On the stand Monday afternoon, the accused said he had resigned from the provincial civil service of his own free will in April this year to farm. He denied taking any bond from the Plymouth safety deposit box and said he did not sell any bond belonging to Mrs. Plym sell.

Under cross-examination by Mr. Clearhue, he outlined several deals with a man named Carter, the late Jack Rithet and a service station operator called "Jack" in which he had taken cash and bonds in payment. He admitted taking a bond to Kingsberry, a crown witness, and said he presumed it was a Province of Ontario issue.

In giving a resume of one of the most important branches of the "Y," the boys' department, Mr. Clack, chairman of this committee, stated the two most important events of the month were the Hi-Y induction service held at the Metropolitan Church, and the boys' work committee meeting, through which it was planned to bring the boys and their sponsors together by sponsorship socials.

Mr. Clack reported 98 sessions held, with an attendance of 1,621.

Warren Martin gave the physical report, announcing the activities of the services, in sports such as basketball, swimming,

'Y' Seeks to Help War-Time Youth

A two-fold resolution in support of wartime youth was passed at the monthly luncheon meeting of the Victoria branch of the Y.M.C.A. Monday, presided over by W. T. Strath.

Facing the Y's special opportunities and obligations "for dealing with the personal, moral and religious problems of youth in time of conflict," the council (1) urges upon local associations the timely importance of their distinctive opportunity and responsibility to help youth in their struggle against the threatening influences of wartime, and (2) directs that the program services committee make freely available such aids as are needed to guide in this emergency service.

S. J. D. Clack, boys' work committee chairman, presented the resolution which dealt with the relation of the Y to home and community, and, though commending local associations for work that is being done, also maintained that the program must be expanded and intensified if the Y is to measure up to its newer obligations.

Other reports were read by H. B. Witter, chairman of the house committee, who reported the conditions of dormitories to be in the best repair for years; Ray Parfitt, chairman of social education committee, reporting the success of the Wednesday So-Ed series at which about 60 young people attended each evening.

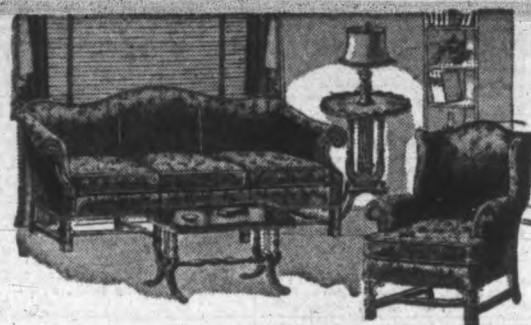
New venture under the So-Ed department is the instigation of the "Teen-Canteen" every Saturday night.

M. A. Pickering read the camera report, in which he noted junior members had seven meetings since Oct. 15.

Frank Paulding, secretary, reported on men's and women's public-speaking classes, and the Toastmasters' Club which is sponsoring the Christmas dinner tonight.

The general report showed November to have been one of the busiest months in the history of the "Y," with the secretary attending 35 meetings, and 18 organizations using the committee rooms in the building. Attendance in the reading room was 2,000, said P. A. Gibbs.

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LIEUT. REX CAREY, M.C.

Lieut. Rex Carey, who two months ago was decorated for gallantry in the Sicilian campaign, the Military Cross being pinned on him by Gen. Sir Bernard Montgomery of the British 8th Army, was reported missing in action in Italy Dec. 6.

Lieut. Carey, former amateur middleweight boxing champion of British Columbia and Washington State, has been in the thick of the fighting in the Mediterranean theatre since the invasion of Sicily by the Allied forces.

He was also mentioned in dispatches.

A native of England, Carey came to Canada as a child with his parents, the late Col. L. de V. Carey, O.B.E., and Mrs. Carey of Victoria. He attended St. Aidan's School, Colwood.

He joined the 1st Battalion, Canadian Scottish Regiment, in August, 1939, with a distinguished record in amateur and professional boxing. He won the B.C. middleweight championships in 1935, 1936 and 1937, and the Vancouver City and Washington State titles. He was a Golden Gloves finalist in 1937-8, and reached finals in the Empire Games at Sydney, Australia. He had 18 professional bouts, winning 15.

He transferred to the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry in 1940, went overseas and subsequently won his commission.

**Mrs. Annie M. Greig, 76,
Dies in Hospital**

Mrs. Annie Martha Greig, 76, for 52 years a well-known and respected resident of Victoria, died Monday in St. Joseph's Hospital. She had lived at 993 Southgate Street in recent years.

Mrs. Greig was born in Cambridge, England, and came to Victoria before the turn of the century. Her husband, the late William Greig, was founder of the Arion Club, pioneer Pacific coast male voice choir. With him Mrs. Greig took much interest in the musical life of the city.

and the production of "Salute to Our Allies."

The Red Triangle concert party will give a program at the Y.M.C.A. tonight, when servicemen and women will be invited to the Christmas banquet.

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A Christmas gathering sponsored by the Remnants, store employees who are veterans of the first World War, this year's service remembered the fallen of World War II and the names of four men who died on active service were read.

They were: William Scarff, Ray Walls and Ken Atwell, all of the R.C.A.F., and Ken Graham, R.C.A.S.C. The names of 80 men and women of Spencer's staff who are now serving their country, have already been placed on the store's honor roll.

An inspirational address was given by Rev. George Biddle, honorary padre of Spencer's Remnants, and singing was led by the Carol Choir. Bandsman Alf Stafford of the Esquimalt Garrison Band, an ex-member of David Spencer's staff, rendered a cornet solo.

The brief service opened at 8.30 and concluded at 9.

TOWN TOPICS

City police Monday afternoon
learned from Mrs. R. Devereux thieves had sawed down a large holly tree and stolen the berries, branches, at 728 Bay Street.

Study of the recent increase in
coal prices is asked from the city by W. T. McGibbon in a letter which also carries congratulations to the mayor and aldermen on their re-election.

Twenty parcels, which, appar-
ently, had fallen from a mail truck, were discovered Monday by Mrs. J. Arandell, 756 Discovery, and returned to the post office.

In Esquimalt police court Mon-
day a motorist paid \$2.50 parking fines, while a seventh driver \$5 for no driver's license. One man was sentenced to five days for drunkenness.

Confident that not one Victoria
household will have cause to complain about the fuel situation this year, W. O. McPherson, wood fuel officer, Department of Munitions and Supply, said that he had absolutely nothing to tell the public today, so merely sat back in his chair and with a benign smile, wished one and all a very merry Christmas.

Miss Hazel Leonard, 401 Esqui-
malt Road, was treated at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, following an accident at 8.45 Monday night, in which she was struck by a streetcar which she was attempting to race to a stop. Police described her injuries as a cut on the left ear and cuts and bruises to the back and both legs. Ronald Page, 2819 Rockwell, was operating the streetcar.

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FUNERAL
The funeral of William J. Kelly was held Friday afternoon at McCall Bros' Funeral Chapel, Rev. J. L. W. McLean officiating. The hymns sung were "The Day Thou Gavest" and "Breathe on Me, Breath of God." The following were pallbearers: J. H. Houghton, E. E. Harper, B. Howell, F. J. Hammond, P. Pearson and C. B. Brough-Allen. Cremation at Royal Oak.

CARD OF THANKS
Mrs. Hannah Kelly and family wish to thank their many friends for kind expressions of sympathy received during their recent and bereavement in the loss of a loving son and brother.

Theft of his car from 2619 Blans-
hard, was reported to police at 9.05 today by F. J. Findlay.

W. A. McAdam, Agent-General
in London for British Columbia, is ill with pleurisy but is progressing favorably. Premier John Hart was advised today by cable.

The suggestion that the machi-
nery used for the Lord Mayor of London's Fund be used to collect money for Victoria's adopted Russian city, Sevastopol, and that a special "Sevastopol Day" be sponsored, is contained in a letter to the city from the Victoria Club, Labor-Progressive Party today.

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Salute to Victory-KOL
Air Concerts-CRWA
News-KIRO, KXJ, KXJ
Dance Orchestra-CVJL
Men of Music-CRIR

6.00—News-KIRO, KXJ
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
Gabriel Heister-KOL
Man to Man-KIRO
Burns and Allen-KIRO
Three Romances-KJR
John and Mary-KJR
Grace Field-KOL 6.15

6.30—News-KIRO, KXJ
American Forum-KOL
Fiber McGee-KOMO
Radio Report-KIRO
Spotlight-KXJ
CBS Evening Concert-CRIR
Love Songs-CVJL

7.00—News-KIRO, KXJ
American Forum-KOL
Fiber McGee-KOMO
Radio Report-KIRO
Spotlight-KXJ
CBS Evening Concert-CRIR
Love Songs-CVJL

7.30—Red Ryder-KJR
Melody Theatre-CRWA
Clara Kent-KOL
Lobby Lash-KXJ
Songs of the Empire-CRIR
News-KIRO, KXJ at 7.45

8.00—Things to Come-KJR
Watch the World-KJR
Fiber McGee-KOMO
F. A. Roberts-KXJ
Love & Mystery-KIRO
Dance Orchestra-KOL
News-KIRO, KXJ at 8.15
Harry James-KIRO, KXJ, KXJ

8.30—Telequiz-KIRO
Big Town-KXJ
Duffy's-KJR
Concert Orchestra-CRIR
Johnny Preston-KOMO
Green Hornet-KXJ
Air Force Show-KOL

9.00—News-KIRO, KXJ
Judy Canova-KIRO
Salute to Youth-KOMO
Guy Washington-KJR
Weird Circle-CVJL
Double or Nothing-CRWA

9.30—Melody-KIRO
Kiss Junior Choir-CRIR
Humor-KXJ
Among the Heathers-CRWA
Punch Line-KXJ at 9.45
Boiling Hot-KOMO

10.00—News-KOMO, KIR, KIRO
KXJ
Frank Murray-CVJL
Emory Philpot-KXJ 10.10
Crane Melodrama-KOL
Maggie Hunt-KJR

10.30—News-KIRO, KXJ
Music-KXJ
Close of Day-KXJ
Kaltenberg-KOMO
Crosby-KXJ
Sweetheart's Swing-KXJ
Words and Music-CVJL 10.45

11.00—News-KIRO, KXJ
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
Soldiers of Peace-KXJ
News-KIRO at 11.15

11.30—News-KIRO, KXJ
Voice of the Army-KOMO
News for Alaska-KXJ at 11.45
News-KIRO, KXJ, KXJ 11.45

12.00—News-KIRO, KXJ
G-C-M-M-COR
Dawn Patrol-KXJ
Farm Forum-KJR
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
News-KIRO at 12.15

12.30—News-KIRO, KXJ
G-C-M-M-COR
Dawn Patrol-KXJ
Farm Forum-KJR
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
News-KIRO at 12.45

1.00—News-KIRO, KXJ
G-C-M-M-COR
Dawn Patrol-KXJ
Farm Forum-KJR
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
News-KIRO at 1.15

1.30—News-KIRO, KXJ
G-C-M-M-COR
Dawn Patrol-KXJ
Farm Forum-KJR
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
News-KIRO at 1.45

1.50—News-KIRO, KXJ
G-C-M-M-COR
Dawn Patrol-KXJ
Farm Forum-KJR
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
News-KIRO at 2.00

2.00—News-KIRO, KXJ
G-C-M-M-COR
Dawn Patrol-KXJ
Farm Forum-KJR
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
News-KIRO at 2.15

2.30—News-KIRO, KXJ
G-C-M-M-COR
Dawn Patrol-KXJ
Farm Forum-KJR
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
News-KIRO at 2.45

2.50—News-KIRO, KXJ
G-C-M-M-COR
Dawn Patrol-KXJ
Farm Forum-KJR
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
News-KIRO at 3.00

3.00—News-KIRO, KXJ
G-C-M-M-COR
Dawn Patrol-KXJ
Farm Forum-KJR
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
News-KIRO at 3.15

3.30—News-KIRO, KXJ
G-C-M-M-COR
Dawn Patrol-KXJ
Farm Forum-KJR
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
News-KIRO at 3.45

3.50—News-KIRO, KXJ
G-C-M-M-COR
Dawn Patrol-KXJ
Farm Forum-KJR
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
News-KIRO at 4.00

Tonight's Features

6.00—Burns and Allen-KIRO
6.30—Fiber McGee and Molly-KOMO
7.00—Bob Hope-KOMO
7.30—Red Skelton-KOMO, KXJ
8.30—Duffy's-KJR
9.00—Judy Canova-KIRO

9.30—Salute to Victory-KOL
Women's Magazine-KXJ
Ship of Joy-KOMO
Good Morning-KXJ
Sard's Street-KJR
They Tell Me-KXJ at 10.45
Santa Fe Trail-CRWA
Gracie Field-KOL

10.00—News-KIRO, KXJ, KXJ
Life Beautiful-KXJ, KXJ
Capitol of Music-CRWA
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
Novelty-CVJL
Happy Going-CRIR at 10.15

10.30—News-KIRO, KXJ, KXJ
Loves Luncheon-KOL
Matinee-KJR
Bernardine Flynn-KXJ
Homecoming's Calendar-KXJ
They Tell Me-KXJ at 10.45
News-KIRO, KXJ at 10.45

11.00—Make Mine Music-CVJL
Young Dr. Malone-KIRO
KXJ
The Guiding Light-KOMO
Barnaby Rudge-KXJ
Yesterday's Hits-CRWA
News-KIRO, KXJ at 11.15
Cedric Belfrage-KOL

11.30—Light of the World-KOMO
Love and Lullaby-KXJ, KXJ
They Tell Me-KXJ
Young Dr. Malone-KIRO
Galen Drake-KXJ
Soldier's Wife-CVJL
News-KIRO at 11.45

12.00—News-KIRO, KXJ, KXJ
Woman of America-KOMO
KXJ
Morton Downey-KJR
Dave Lane-KXJ
Hawaii Reporter-CRWA
Parade of Rhythm-CVJL
News-KIRO, KXJ at 12.15

12.30—News-KIRO, KXJ, KXJ
Pepper Young-KOMO
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
Christmas Committee-KOL
Song Success-KXJ

1.00—News Review-KJR
Backstage-KXJ, KXJ
Backstage-KXJ, KXJ
Brave Tomorrow-KXJ
Salute to Victory-KOL
Sard's Street-KJR
News-KIRO, KXJ, KXJ 1.15

1.30—Lorenz Jones-KOMO, KXJ
Full Speed Ahead-KOL
Via and Speed-KXJ
American School-KXJ
Styler for Strings-CRIR
Song Success-KXJ

2.00—Ray Dady-KOL
Ma Perkins-KXJ
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
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2.30—News-KXJ, KXJ
Scottish Chorus-KOL
In Love-KOMO, KXJ
Just Plain Bill-KOMO, KXJ
Living for Love-KJR
News-KIRO at 2.45

3.00—News-KXJ, KXJ
Scottish Chorus-KOL
In Love-KOMO, KXJ
Just Plain Bill-KOMO, KXJ
Living for Love-KJR
News-KIRO at 3.15

3.30—News-KXJ, KXJ
Scottish Chorus-KOL
In Love-KOMO, KXJ
Just Plain Bill-KOMO, KXJ
Living for Love-KJR
News-KIRO at 3.45

4.00—Pulse-Law (News)-KOL
Sing for Pleasure-CRIR
Music-KIRO
Silver Strings-CVJL
Punch Line-KXJ at 4.05
News-KIRO, KXJ at 4.15

4.30—Caribbean Rights-CRIR
Club 1940-KOL
Headline-KXJ
Hop Harrigan-KJR
Ray Aces-KIRO
Patty Tate-CRWA

4.50—News-KIRO, KXJ, KXJ
G-C-M-M-COR
Dawn Patrol-KXJ
Farm Forum-KJR
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
News-KIRO at 5.00

5.00—News-KIRO, KXJ, KXJ
G-C-M-M-COR
Dawn Patrol-KXJ
Farm Forum-KJR
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
News-KIRO at 5.15

5.30—News-KIRO, KXJ, KXJ
G-C-M-M-COR
Dawn Patrol-KXJ
Farm Forum-KJR
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
News-KIRO at 5.45

5.50—News-KIRO, KXJ, KXJ
G-C-M-M-COR
Dawn Patrol-KXJ
Farm Forum-KJR
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
News-KIRO at 6.00

6.00—News-KIRO, KXJ, KXJ
G-C-M-M-COR
Dawn Patrol-KXJ
Farm Forum-KJR
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
News-KIRO at 6.15

6.30—News-KIRO, KXJ, KXJ
G-C-M-M-COR
Dawn Patrol-KXJ
Farm Forum-KJR
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
News-KIRO at 6.45

6.50—News-KIRO, KXJ, KXJ
G-C-M-M-COR
Dawn Patrol-KXJ
Farm Forum-KJR
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
News-KIRO at 7.00

7.00—News-KIRO, KXJ, KXJ
G-C-M-M-COR
Dawn Patrol-KXJ
Farm Forum-KJR
Mystery Theatre-KOMO
News-KIRO at 7.15

One Woman's Day...

By NANCY HODGES
SPOKANE.

CITY OF BRIDGES
SPOKANE IS a city of bridges and viaducts.

I have just returned from a walk as far as Spokane Falls—a few blocks from the hotel.

And counted no fewer than eleven bridges and viaducts, all within a few hundred yards of each other—and at bewildering angles.

The city was originally a Hudson's Bay trading post in early days. It lies on a high plateau, intersected by the deep gorge of the Spokane River, and was formerly the haunt of the hunter and fur trapper.

ELEVATION A PROBLEM
BECAUSE OF ITS elevation, entrance to the city by bridge has been a major problem.

To overcome the grades, great viaducts of steel and cement have been built to carry roads and railroads.

These seem to extend in all directions, and to add to the effect, numerous bridges had to be erected, spanning the falls and river.

It is startling to come on such spectacular cascades right in the heart of a city. Those in Ottawa are puny compared with Spokane's.

BEAUTY AND UTILITY
HERE THERE ARE the upper and lower falls, the double drop amounting to several hundred feet.

Beautiful in themselves, the falls could be made even more beautiful if the setting were improved. But here they subordinate spectacle to utility, using them to generate cheap power.

Rising at their back, almost like a modernistic spirit of the falls, is the Washington Power Company's plant which advertises in huge Neon letters: "Electric Service Since 1889."

RUNS ALUMINUM PLANT
BECAUSE OF THIS utilization of energy right at its doorstep, Spokane has an extraordinarily cheap light and power, both for industrial and home consumption.

It was largely owing to this cheap power that the huge aluminum reduction plant was started at Mead, near here, as a war industry. It taps the great resources of Coeur d'Alene mineral country of Idaho, although its basic bauxite comes from the east.

The Mead plant has brought a vast colony of thousands of workers to Spokane. En route to the air service depot Monday I saw the housing project erected for their benefit.

BIG HOUSING PROJECT
TRAVELING ALONG the great viaduct, with its four-wide traffic lanes, I looked down on rows and rows of war-time houses,

set in orderly lines among the pine trees on the slopes of the ravines.

And as every tree and blade of grass was white, even in mid-afternoon, with the thickest layer of frost I have ever seen, the effect suggested a Christmas card scene.

These houses will all be scrapped as soon as the war is over.

MAY BE CLOSED
CITY OFFICIALS WERE much concerned, while I was there, at rumors that the Mead plant is to be closed, on the grounds that there is an over-supply of aluminum.

The Chamber of Commerce head, Harlan J. Peyton, whom I met and talked to, at once took up the fight to forestall such a move.

It was first reported that manpower shortage was the reason for closing. But Spokane declares it has no such shortage.

OF INTEREST TO CANADA
THE MATTER IS of interest to Canada. For Mr. Peyton wants Washington to tell him if Lend-Lease will continue to buy aluminum from the great plant at Shipshaw, Quebec.

He declares that the product is manufactured at the eastern plant by electricity, generated by coal.

This requires something like 2,000 miners to supply the giant plant. And with both coal and miners short, it would be poor business to keep those plants running, and shut down the Mead operation, which is supplied with the cheapest hydro-electric power on the North American continent, he says.

PARKING METERS
NO ONE WOULD think there is a shortage of gasoline in Spokane, judging by the number of cars on the streets.

And the viaducts make excellent, protected parking spaces for thousands upon thousands of them.

And speaking of parking, meters are used here.

I watched a woman driver depositing coins in the little gadget, which looks like a birdhouse atop of a metal pole. It costs five cents an hour for parking.

LITTLE ADVANTAGE
"CAN YOU LEAVE it for several hours, then come back and put in the accumulated amount?" I asked her.

"Oh, dear, no! You have to return at the end of every hour to put your nickel in. If you don't, you are fined a dollar," she assured me.

So I can't see that it has very much advantage over our pencil-parkin'-police system, after all.

Merriman
Turkey story over farmers' broadcast tells of B.C. school teacher, too tender-hearted to kill the sleek fattened bird. She chloroformed it; plucked it and put it aside for further attention.

Turkey revived. She put a nice warm sweater on it and turned it loose again. . . . Cumberland Mayor Alec Maxwell's term of 19 years in municipal office must be something of a record. . . . Proposal emanating in Victoria that service men and women be kept on full pay and allowances after demobilization until they are settled in civilian jobs is gaining support as it circulates throughout Canada. . . . Victoria R.A.F. men found thumbs turned down on scheduled broadcast of the Smiles show when they took it to Vancouver. The union says "no" was CBC's reason. "I have nothing to say," was all the info that could be obtained from the "musicians' union chief. . . . J. C. Bendoric, native son of Victoria, now a successful businessman in Australia, has been having notable successes on the track with his string of horses. . . . Side Glances cartoon features a wife hustling her husband out for Christmas shopping with the comment: "You are not going to shop at the drug store at the last minute and send all our friends the same kind of perfume." But it really happened in Victoria the other day. A woman placed an order for \$200 worth.

Christmas Rush Costs Post Office Heavily.
SHEWEPORTE, La. (AP)—Something was wrong, officials decided, when Christmas cards came through the Sheweporte post office bearing 25 cent United States war stamps instead of the one cent postage stamps.

They investigated, learned that the two types of stamps have the same hue of green, which contrasts nicely at the Christmas season with the color of a red faced temporary clerk at a post office substation, who had sold \$400 of the stamps as one cent stamps.

Hurried patrons had stuck the stamps on Christmas cards with out noticing the difference.

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